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Americans on top of the World

Motocross des Nations

USA wins 10th in a row!

World Team Cup Speedway

Americans triumphant in Czecho!

World Championship Road Racing

Kocinski crowned in Australia!

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IN THE WIND By Papa Wealey

Reigning 250cc MX World Champion **Alessandro Puzar** (Suz) of Italy was the overall winner of the opening round of the Masters of Motocross, a six-race series bringing many of the top Europeans and Americans together at one race, in Maggiora, Italy, on September 23. Americans **Jeff Stanton** (Hon) finished second overall and **Trampas Parker** (KTM) rounded out the top three.

Alex Vieira, Jean-Michel Mattioli and **Stephane Mertens** (Hon) completed 580 laps to win the red flag-interrupted **Bol d'Or** 24-hour endurance road race at Paul Ricard in the south of France, September 22-23. The threesome topped Thierry Crine, Pierre Bolle and J. Battistini (Kaw) by three laps with Adrian Morillas, Eric Delcamp and C. Lavieille (Kaw) finishing third.

The win by the Rothmans Honda team at the Bol d'Or was the French team's sixth consecutive 24-hour victory, and gave them the **FIM Coupe d'Endurance Championship.**

Scott Summers (Hon) was the overall winner in the final round of the AMA National Championship Hare Scrambles Series in Lynville, Indiana, September 23. Summers, who had already clinched the series championship title in July, finished ahead of Duane Conner (Kaw), Aaron Hough (Kaw), Jeff Russell (Yam) and Ed Lojak (Yam).

Team Suzuki Endurance (Suz) with riders Mike Smith, Kurt Hall, Britt Turkington, Wes Cooley, Don Canet and Nick Ienatsch won the 7th Annual WERA 24-Hour at Willow Springs International Raceway in Rosamond, California, September 22-23. The Human Race Team (Yam) finished second, 25 laps behind Team Suzuki, while Team Hawaii (Hon) finished third overall and first in the Mediumweight Production class, a further 42 laps behind.

In winning the race, Team Suzuki Endurance set a **new 24-hour mileage record**, covering 2207.5 miles at an average speed of 91.9 mph, despite a 22-minute red flag period during the first hour. The win was the team's 11th of the season in 12 attempts.

Danny Hamel (KTM) topped the field at the Casey Folks' Best In the Desert Mesquite Grand Prix in Mesquite, Nevada, September 22. Garth Sweetland (ATK), Greg Zitterkopf (ATK), Jimmy Lewis (KTM) and Scott Morris (Kaw) rounded out the top five.

Kawasaki has been awarded the contract to supply **police motorcycles** to the **California Highway Patrol**. The purchase order calls for Kawasaki to deliver 238 KZ1000-P police motorcycles, which will be manufactured in Lincoln, Nebraska. The coveted contract was also pursued by Harley-Davidson. Kawasaki earned the contract, worth approximately **$1 million**, by meeting a rigorous series of specifications and performance tests, in addition to being the low bidder. Awarding of the contract was postponed earlier this year when Harley-Davidson put forth a department-backed argument that their bikes had a higher resale value. Kawasaki has had a supplier relationship with the California Highway Patrol since 1978.

A star-studded lineup of motocrossers will compete in the **14th Annual Kawasaki MX Race of Champions** at Englishtown, New Jersey's Raceway Park, October 20-21. Confirmed entries include **Johnny O'Mara** and **Jeff Matiasevich** of the Kawasaki factory team, Honda's **Mike Kiedrowski,** Suzuki's **Ronnie Tichenor**, and former Team Honda and Team Yamaha rider **Micky Dymond**. Kawasaki's **Jeff Ward** will also be on hand and while he says he'll be there to assist O'Mara and Matiasevich and sign autographs, the folks at Raceway Park are hoping he will compete.

Feds threaten OHV funds

In spite of protests by the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) and other off-highway recreation groups, the California Legislature has taken the first step toward adopting a proposal that could wreak havoc on the state's off-highway vehicle (OHV) fund, better known as the Green Sticker program. And now, all that remains is for Gov. George Deukmejian to sign the controversial proposal into law.

The threat comes in the form of Assembly Bill 3727. The measure would, among other things, seize $3 million from the Green Sticker program to help bail out the state's Department of Fish and Game, which is facing a budget deficit because of a decline in the number of fishing and hunting licenses being sold each year.

Originally, the bill had nothing to do with the Green Sticker fund. Instead, it was introduced in May to increase revenue for Fish and Game. Then, after the measure had already been approved by the Assembly, it was amended in the Senate Appropriations Committee to include a provision requiring the transfer of the funds. The amendment, which was added to the bill in July, also includes a stipulation mandating that the state repay the money with interest by 1993.

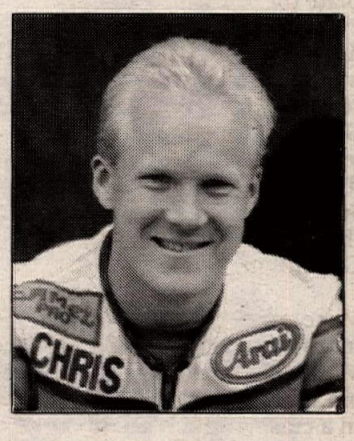
After numerous complaints from the AMA's Government Relations Department, AMA's District 36 and 37 affiliates, the California Off-Road Vehicle Association (CORVA) and a host of other off-highway user groups, it appeared OHV enthusiasts had won a reprieve on August 16, when the bill was sent back to the Senate's Natural Resources and Wildlife Committee for further debate.

But the Committee, under pressure from the governor's office, suddenly approved the bill on August 28. Then, in the closing moments of this year's legislative session, the bill was passed by full Senate and the Assembly. And now, it is awaiting the signature of Gov. Deukmejian, who has until October 1 to decide the fate of the OHV fund.

"Since the early 1980s, the state has effectively stolen millions of dollars from the OHV program," said Robert Rasor, AMA vice president of government relations. "And once again, there is no guarantee that the state will uphold its part of the bargain and reimburse these funds."

According to Eric Lundquist, AMA legislative affairs specialist, in addition to further alienating the state's off-highway enthusiasts, the bill could also have an adverse effect on the environment. "Many people aren't aware that the Green Sticker program funds a large number of conservation and land rehabilitation projects," said Lundquist. "Ironically, the transfer of the funds to Fish and Game could have the effect of lessening the state's spending on environmental concerns."

Carr claims 600cc title at Castle Rock



Harley-Davidson's Chris Carr (right) wrapped up his third straight 600cc National Dirt Track Championship with his win in the Castle Rock TT in Castle Rock, Washington, on September 22.

Carr, 23, topped Rotax-mounted Kris Kiser and Rex Fisher in the 600cc National. Mike Hale, Carr's championship rival coming into the Castle Rock round, failed to qualify for the National.

Carr, who currently lies second in the AMA Camel Pro Championship, qualified second behind Bryan McDowell in time trials, won his heat race and then came from behind to win the final. The Californian also won the $3000 Budweiser Shootout, a 10-lap dash for cash that featured the six fastest qualifiers.

Former Grand National Champion **Gene Romero** is back in the Chris Agajanian Presents camp, helping promote the October 6 **Sacramento Mile** round of the **Camel Pro Series**. Romero says there'll be a shakedown session for riders at the Cal-Expo facility on Thursday, October 4, from noon to 1 p.m. After the track riding session, all riders are invited to remain for a press conference that will be followed by lunch. In addition to the National on Saturday night, October 6, a Junior race will be held and it's open to all Junior riders.

Camel Pro Series competitor **Will Davis** led a foursome to victory in the 12th Annual **Hap Jones Invitational Golf Tournament** at the Sunol Golf Course in Sunol, California, September 17. **Mark Smith, Marty Lewis** and one of Davis's sponsors, Z Galleries' **Danny Malfatti**, joined Davis on the winning foursome.

ATK will provide **pit support** for all **ATK four-stroke riders** at the November 8-11 **Baja 1000.** There will be a nominal fee for fuel and a refundable deposit for broken parts. Contact ATK for details by calling 213/722-8880.

Italian **Donato Miglio** (Fan) won the final round of the World Championship Observed Trials Series in Switzerland, September 9. Spaniard **Jordi Tarres** (Bet), who had already clinched the World Championship, finished second and Finn Tommi Ahvala (Apr) was third. Tarres finished the season with 224 points, Italian Diego Bosis (Apr) was second with 193, Miglio third with 180, Ahvala fourth at 167, and Frenchman Philippe Berlatier (Bet) was fifth with 123. The win in Switzerland was Miglio's swan song as a Fantic factory rider; he will ride for Aprilia next year.

The **1991 World Championship Superbike Road Race Series calendar** is over-subscribed and delegates at the upcoming FIM Congress in Budapest, Hungary, will have to turn down several applications. The sport's governing body has received 18 applications to run events next season with a likely schedule of 14 or 15 events to be ratified in Hungary. In addition to countries that hosted the event this year, applications have been received from Brazil, Holland, Mexico, San Marino and Sweden.

Speaking of the World Championship Superbike Series, defending champion **Fred Merkel** is expected to return to action at the October 7 round at Monza, Italy. Californian Merkel suffered a broken vertebra at the Suzuka Eight-Hour in July which forced him to sit out the Japanese and French rounds, effectively ending his chances of completing a hat trick of World Championship titles.

Brian Tillson of Laconia, New Hampshire, is the 1990 **AMA Junior National Champion** dirt tracker. Tillson, who won one round of the 11-round series, made the main event at every event and never placed out of the top 10. His season-long consistency produced 133 points, 18 more than the series runner-up, **Steve Rasmussen** of Turlock, California, who finished with 115 points. **Jason Fletcher** of Warren, Connecticut, finished third with 104 points. Tillson campaigned a Wood-Rotax, Rasmussen a Harley-Davidson and Fletcher a Wood-Rotax.

Intersport Fashions West (IFW), the North American importer of Hein Gericke motorcycle apparel, recently surveyed over 2500 motorcyclists to determine future trends in the marketplace. The **survey** will assist IFW in designing future motorcycle apparel and products. While most of the survey results will not be made public, IFW reports that 26% of the respondents have participated in a Motorcycle Safety Foundation **RiderCourse**.

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Hey, kids! Tell your father to load your **50cc Stock class minibike** in the trailer, hook it up to the motorhome and head for Colorado because you want to take part in the intermission race at the September 29 **Mickey Thompson Off-Road Championship Gran Prix** in Denver. Oh, before you leave, be sure and call GFI Racing at 714/788-5853 and let them know you're coming.

A **California Desert Coalition** conference scheduled for October 6 in Irvine, California, has been **cancelled,** with a new date set for sometime in spring 1991.

Several **proposed rule changes** for the 1991 MX season were discussed between AMA Professional Motocross Manager Roy Janson and several of the factory MX team managers at the Motocross des Nations in Sweden. One would allow **Pro-Am riders** to contest the **Regional Championship 125cc Supercross Series** longer by increasing the number of advancement points from 180 to 250. The proposed rule change is designed to allow racers more time to develop,

so that riders like East Coast Regional Supercross champ Denny Stephenson have a chance to carry the number one plate they earned.

American motocrosser **Bob Moore** was scheduled to ride the September 16 Motocross des Nations for West Germany, but had to pull out of the team due to an arm injury. Moore rode the World Championship 125cc MX Series with a German license and is the 125cc German National Champion.

Motocrosser **Jean-Michel Bayle** returned to action at the September 23 Masters of Motocross event in Maggiora, Italy. Bayle, who broke his arm in a crash at the Washougal 125/500cc National Championship MX, finished second in the first moto and after handling problems relegated him to 21st in moto two, Bayle sat out the third and final moto.

Ron Lechien was also back in action at Maggiora, but the former National Champion retired from the first and third motos and finished 23rd in the second moto.

Current 250cc MX World Champion **Alessandro Puzar** will remain with Michele Rinaldi's Chesterfield Suzuki team next year; John Van den Berk will also be back as his teammate.

Immediately following the September 16 running of the **Australian Grand Prix** at Phillip Island, the majority of the world's best road racers flew to Sydney, Australia, to participate in IRTA's (International Roadracing Teams Association) test day at the new **Eastern Creek circuit,** the site of the 1991 Australian GP. Despite being held on a weekday, the test was witnessed by some 30,000 spectators, who had paid admission. According to new **250cc World Champion John Kocinski,** the new circuit is a lot tighter and slower than Phillip Island, but the majority of the riders still liked it.

A judge in Deer Lodge, Montana, recently ruled that motorcycle daredevil **Evel Knievel** cannot be considered an expert on motorcycles or motorcycle crashes. State District Judge Ted Mizner agreed with objections from Honda Motor Co. lawyers that Knievel was not qualified to be an expert witness to testify on behalf of a Montana man who was injured in a 1980 motorcycle accident.

S.11 update: Senate Bill 11, Senator Alan Cranston's Desert Bill that would close off over eight million acres of California public lands to off-highway recreation and severely restrict family camping access, is scheduled for mark-up September 26. This is the last opportunity for S.11 to be discussed in the Senate Committee on Energy & Natural Resources. The Bill must receive a majority vote (50% plus one) to pass out of Committee. If S.11 does not pass out of Committee it will be "dead." A new Bill would then have to be introduced in 1991 before the 102nd Congress.

With the cancellation of the **1990 Barstow-to-Vegas** Hare & Hound, AMA District 37 is planning an alternate race called B-to-V (Battle-to-Victory) 1990 to be held over the Thanksgiving weekend. It will be an AMA-sanctioned D-37 points-paying benefit hare & hound held at Johnson Valley, California. Although the exact details are not yet finalized, the hare & hound may consist of three loops, totalling approximately 120 miles, and all proceeds will go directly into the D-37 "war chest," D-37's legal defense fund.

Long-time dirt track photographer **Dan Mahoney** will be selling photos at the September 29 Ascot Half Mile in Gardena, California. Mahoney says that he'll only have a few prints of each photo, some of which he says have never been seen before.

The Arco Arena in Sacramento, California, will host the inaugural running of the **Sacramento 50,000 Supercross,** October 19-20. The two-night event is AMA-sanctioned and will offer a grand total of $50,000 in prize money in both the 125 and 250cc classes. Riders already pre-entered include factory Suzuki rider Guy Cooper, Tallon and Tyson Vohland, Steve Lamson, Ty Davis, Ryan Hughes, Jeremy McGrath, Michael Craig, Mike Jones, Jim Holley and Australian Supercross Masters Champion Craig Dack.

Amateur motocrosser **Derrick Sims** of Cedar Hill, Texas, was awarded the top prize in a drawing at the NMA MX Grand Nationals in Ponca City, Oklahoma, last August. Sims won a 1990 Chevrolet pick-up truck, and according to NMA's Ron Henricksen, another new truck will be up for grabs at next year's Ponca City GNC event, August 5-11.

HIRED: Camron Bussard, as editor of American Roadracing; Bussard was formerly executive editor of Cycle World magazine.

PURCHASED: Kerker Exhaust Systems, by Drieson International, Inc. of Cleveland, Ohio. Kerker will be relocated from Canoga Park, California, to West Sacramento, California. The move started September 24 and will be completed by October 14. Drieson International also owns SuperTrapp Industries.

HIRED: Mark Heinrichs, as customer service manager at SuperTrapp Industries. Heinrichs formerly worked for Davis Honda/Yamaha/Suzuki in Davis, California.

PROMOTED: Michael Burke, to the position of national sales manager at SuperTrapp Industries.

APPOINTED: Donald Adams, as marketing and office manager at Air-Tech Streamlining of Oceanside, California.

CORRECTION: In our coverage of the Swedish International Six Days Enduro, we incorrectly listed some of the U.S. riders as getting bronze medals when they actually earned silver medals. Here's a corrected list of all the U.S. riders who earned medals. Gold medals: Jimmy Lewis, Kevin Hines and Kelby Pepper. Silver medals: Alan Randt, Scott Drafs, John Nielsen, Jason Dahners, Drew Smith, Charles Halcomb, Brian Mull, Gary Hazel, Steve Hatch, Matt Stavish, David Rhodes and Dave Bertram. Bronze medals: Taz Harvey, Shawn Haybarger, Bill Perkins, Dana Van Stee, Barrett Brown, Brian Lohman and Greg Surdyke.

CORRECTION: AMA/CCS 600cc Supersport Champion Dave Sadowski's Yamaha FZR600 is tuned by Al Ludington, not Jim Leonard as we reported in our coverage of the final round of the series at Willow Springs International Raceway. Leonard is reponsible for Sadowski's Yamaha FZR750R Superbike.

LOST: A Bell M2 helmet at the final round of the AMA National Championship Road Race Series held at Willow Springs International Raceway on September 16 by Pro Twins GP2 competitor Rob Tuluie. Tuluie, who finished third in his class, left the white, red and blue helmet in the winner's circle. Any information on the helmet can be passed on to Tuluie at 512/479-6122.

BORN: Tate Warren Barr, to former MXer Rodney Barr and his wife Renn, on September 13 in Shelby, North Carolina.

MARRIED: Former AMA 250cc National Road Race Champion David Emde to Rebekah Ford Plam on September 2 in San Marcos, California. The Emdes exited the reception on their Kawasaki ZX7.

"Last-ever" Ascot likely to decide title

The Saturday night, September 29, Ascot Half Mile round of the Camel Pro Series is being billed as the "last-ever" dirt track motorcycle race at the Gardena, California, facility. Although there are skeptics who feel that the construction of an office building on the property will be delayed for at least a year and racing will continue at the facility in 1991, defending Grand National Champion Scott Parker and challenger Chris Carr are not overly concerned with that. What they are concerned with is the 1990 Camel Pro Series Championship.

Going into Ascot, the next to last round of the series, Harley-Davidson factory rider Parker enjoys a 14-point lead over teammate Carr. Parker could put the title out of Carr's reach with a win at Ascot. If Parker wins, Carr must finish second or he will be eliminated from the points chase.

Carr is in a must-win situation, and that's a challenge he's more than capable of meeting at Ascot. Like Parker, he is a three-time winner on the fast half mile oval.

For winning the title, a rider collects $100,000 of the $200,000 series point fund. Second pays $30,000, a whopping $70,000 difference. Twenty-nine-year-old Parker has gone to the bank with the winner's share the past two years, while 23-year-old Carr was the runner-up last year and third the year before, behind Parker and Bubba Shobert.

Going into this season, Parker had earned $316,500 in Camel point fund awards, Carr $166,500.

Parker is shooting for his third straight Grand National Championship/Camel Pro Series number one plate, and by accomplishing his goal he would become only the fifth rider to win three or more titles. Carroll Resweber is the only four-time champ, while Joe Leonard, Bart Markel and Bubba Shobert won three titles.

Ascot has been the site of many title-deciding races, and could well be once again Saturday night. Although the Sacramento Mile closes out the season on Saturday night, October 6, there are few who doubt that the title will be decided at Ascot.

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(Top) Damon Bradshaw (left), Jeff Stanton (center) and Jeff Ward gave the U.S. its 10th straight Motocross des Nations title in Sweden. See page 6 for the complete story. Photo by Nate Rauba. (Bottom) John Kocinski clinched the 250cc Road Race World Championship with a win in Australia. Story begins on page 10. File photo by Paul Carruthers.

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VOICES Letters to the editor

Crash? I didn't crash

Regarding your coverage of the AMA 250cc GP road race at Willow Springs: I did not crash my Yamaha TZ250 while running in fourth place on lap 16. I was forced to retire due to a thrown drive chain.

I would like to thank my sponsors — VP Racing Fuels, Shoei Helmets and All Valley Yamaha — for their help during the 1990 season.

Tom Paris
Northridge, CA

Washougal reply

As the publicist and a promoter (of the Washougal National Championship 125/500cc MX), I have worked with Kawasaki race team manager Roy Turner to crown Miss Kawasaki for the past three years and at this year's event. In the previous years, the contest has been clean and fun for everyone involved. But due to the fact that no written rules were administered this year, two girls decided that showing their bare breasts would enhance their chances of winning (and it did!). We in no way condone these actions and I'm sure Roy Turner did not realize this would happen either. So, next year, if the contest is held, rules will be adopted to again make it an acceptable contest for all in attendance, families included.

I was also responsible for all advertising (the Washougal National) and every ad that was aired or printed announced free parking and camping at our event. Local "free enterpriser" Mike Mafucci, who owns the field adjacent to our parking area, charged people $3 to park in his field. That's his business. We were in no way associated with him or his parking area.

Brian Barnes
Race Publicist
Washougal MX Park
Vancouver, WA

Kawasaki apology

We at Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A., are embarrassed by the pre-race incident at the recent Washougal, Washington, motocross race. We regret having the name of our company associated with such behavior and we apologize to you and any others who were subjected to that type of display.

For nearly 25 years, Kawasaki has been associated with family-oriented recreational activities here in the United States. We are dismayed that our hard-earned reputation for delivering the "Good Times" could so easily be sullied. We have always taken great pride in our products, our programs, and most especially, our people.

There is no excuse for the lack of judgement shown in the situation you described in your letter. Though accounts of the incident vary, we must sadly accept that good taste and common sense were not employed, and vow that such indiscretions will not reoccur.

We view our team as professional athletes, and have had very few reasons in our long racing history to view the actions of any member with anything but pride. While Kawasaki's racing team has been associated with similar contests for several years at various tracks around the country — as you pointed out, it has always been in the context of "fun, clean, family entertainment." The company must now reevaluate any such events in conjunction with future motocross races.

Kawasaki certainly does not wish to offend anyone, least of all the thousands of race fans we have worked so hard to make Kawasaki supporters.

I know these concerns are felt by everyone at Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A. I sincerely hope you can accept this particular instance as an aberration that is in no way characteristic of our company.

Robert M. Moffit
Vice President, Marketing
Kawasaki Motors Corp., U.S.A.
Irvine, CA

Krieger benefit

On behalf of Mark Krieger's friends, I would like to thank the people who contributed to our Motorcycle Mardi Gras Benefit that was held September 8 at the Tuscarawas County Fairgrounds in Dover, Ohio. All proceeds benefitted Mark, an avid motorcyclist, who was seriously injured in June. The help was tremendous and deserves recognition.

Thanks to: Kevin Atherton, Jean-Michael Bayle, Bell Helmets, Bill Werner and the Harley race team, Chris Carr, Circle Bell, Russ Collar, Guy Cooper, *Cycle News*, Will Davis, Roger DeCoster, Dave Despain, Mary Frew, Gear Racewear, Ricky Graham, Dan Ingram, Rick Johnson, Ronnie Jones, KK Motorcycle Supply, Kauffman Tire, Kenworthy M.C., Mindy Lumcik, Phil Marshal, Lolita McDowell, Tim Mertens, Metric Screw, Mitch Morgan and American Honda, Steve Morehead, Nichols Motorcycle Supply, Scott Parker, Terry Poovey, R.J. Reynolds Co., Jay Springsteen, Jeff Stanton, Scott Stump, Tucker-Rocky Distributing, Larry Ward and Wiseco.

Special thanks to the Broken Spokes M.C. for the benefit hare scramble they held on September 9.

R.R. Hungerford
New Philadelphia, OH

Team effort

Championships are not won by riders, they are won by teams. I could never have won the AMA National Championship 250 GP road race title without the help of a great team. It was a tough season with many successes, failures, crashes, injuries and frustrations experienced by all of the top teams. In the end, we came out on top. There is a lot of talent in this class, but it takes more than raw talent to win a championship, it takes teamwork.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation by thanking the people who made it possible: John Hasty of Hasty Racing; tuner/mechanic Robert Willis; Roger, Brian and Bruce with Arai Helmets; Kent Riches of Air-Tech Streamlining; Leslie Hill and Frank Miyake with RK Chain; Ed Melendez of Extrude Hone; Stuart Anderson of Psycle Racing; Bill Tucker with AutoLite Spark Plugs; machinist Chuck Mickler; and Jim Fort of Kinetic Research (Trak-Pads).

It's been great working with all of you this season. I am looking forward to continued success in future racing endeavors.

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Jeff Stanton easily won the second moto, then charged to second behind Alessandro Puzar in the final moto.

America wins 10th straight in Sweden

By Nate Rauba

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It wasn't pretty, but Americans Damon Bradshaw, Jeff Stanton and Jeff Ward gave the U.S. its 10th consecutive Motocross des Nations title in the 44th running of the World Championship team event at Squirrel Valley near the small town of Vimmerby. Although each member contributed to the team's success, it was a move by Stanton in the final moto that sealed the victory by one point over the Belgian team.

Unlike the past two years when the U.S. had the title wrapped up after two of the three motos had been run, this year the outcome was in doubt until near the end of the third and final 500/250cc class moto.

"It feels great to win, but it wasn't easy," said Stanton, who was also a member of last year's winning team.

Among the things that made the going so difficult was a crash that forced Bradshaw out of the second moto, a blown rear shock that dropped Ward back in the final moto, a demanding sand track and strong challenges by the Belgian and Swedish teams.

The Motocross des Nations format consists of three 30-minute plus two-lap motos which combine two classes on the track at the same time. The first moto features the 500 and 125cc classes, moto two the 250 and 125cc classes, with the 500 and 250cc classes combined for moto three. A team's best four of six moto scores are counted towards the championship. Earlier in the year a new rule was passed by the FIM that will count a team's best five finishes, but it takes 18 months for a new rule to go into effect.

The U.S. was in trouble after the second moto when rookie team member Bradshaw, who finished fourth in the 125cc class in the first moto, crashed after landing on another rider off a jump. Bradshaw didn't get up and was taken to the hospital for X-rays which showed no broken bones.

Fortunately for the Americans, the Belgian team, that led by a point following the first moto on Stefan Everts' win in the 125cc class and Dirk Geukens' fourth in the 500cc division, also ran into trouble in moto two when Everts broke his clutch lever and finished 16th in his class while teammate Marniqc Bervoets took fourth in the 250cc division.

With Belgium and host country Sweden close behind at the end of moto two, the U.S. team needed two strong finishes in the final moto to secure the win. But early in the moto it was clear that Ward wouldn't come close to his first-moto second behind Luxembourg's Jacky Martens in the 500cc class as he began to fade early with a blown rear shock. Ward, who has been on seven of the 10 winning American teams, finished the moto ninth in the 500cc class. Sore ankles and a sore back, the result of the demanding track, had hampered Ward.

That left it up to Stanton. After easily winning the 250cc class and the second moto, Stanton had to charge through the pack in the last go. During Stanton's charge to second in the 250cc class behind Italy's 250cc World Champion Alessandro Puzar, he intentionally knocked down Geukens.

"I parked him," said Stanton. "He screwed with us one too many times and I got tired of it."

Although Stanton didn't realize it at the time, his move assured the U.S. victory as it cost Geukens, who was moving in on 500cc class winner Jeff Leisk of Australia, valuable time and positions. Geukens still finished the moto second in the 500cc division, but the Belgian team lost the title to the U.S. by one point, 9-10, as Bervoets took third in the 250cc class. Had Geukens caught and passed Leisk and held on for the 500cc class win, Belgium would've won its first title since 1980.

"We won as a team, that's the most important thing," said Stanton.

Sweden finished the event third overall with a 12-point score, while Puzar led the Italian team with his 250cc class 2-1 score to fourth, three points down on the Swedes. Once again American expatriate Trampas Parker, who now lives in Italy, contributed to the Italian team's efforts as he tallied a 7-5 score in the 125cc class.

The Netherlands team, another pre-race favorite to knock off the Americans on the sandy course, completed the top five with 17 points. Pedro Tragter led the team with a pair of seconds in the 125cc class, while Kees Van der Ven contributed the other two scores in the 500cc class with 8-5 finishes. Dave Strijbos failed to finish either 250cc moto.

An estimated 9500 spectators attended the event, which featured a sandy track laid out in a forest. There were many drop-off jumps, that had the riders sailing back over the tops of the other side of the narrow valley. The track became very rough, so choppy that both Stanton and Ward said that it was the roughest track they'd ever ridden.

Ward almost never made it to Sweden to ride the track. As Ward prepared to leave the U.S., he discovered that his British passport had expired (Ward was born in Scotland). Fortunately Ward's girlfriend had friends in the British consulate and he was able to pick up a new passport on his way to the airport.

The whoops began forming early in the first practice session on Saturday, a session that saw Bradshaw and Stanton quickly get up to speed, while Ward preferred to put in only a few fast laps at a time. The whoops, drop-offs and one particularly peaked jump with a flat landing soon took their toll — Stanton broke the rear wheel on his Honda — and it became clear that the riders would have to go easy on their machines if they expected to finish.

It also became clear that the Belgian team was going to be a threat as Geukens often tailed Ward and Stanton, challenging them in both of Saturday's practice sessions. In one instance, Geukens nearly landed on Ward when the American rolled over the peaked jump. Geukens continued trying to apply mental pressure to the Americans in the practice session before the race.

Geukens never got to race with Ward as he spun on the starting line when the gate dropped for the first 500/125cc moto. Swede Stefan Larsson streaked off with the holeshot, while Ward spent part of the opening lap behind Leisk before passing the Australian.

"We always use this same gate for the GPs throughout Sweden," Larsson later explained about his quick start.

"I wanted to be out front, but I had too much wheelspin," said Geukens, who held 10th at the completion of the first lap. Belgian teammate Everts was right behind Geukens, in the lead of the 125cc class, with a couple of 500s separating him from a pack of 125s consisting of Tragter, Parker, Ireland's Alan Morrison, West German Peter Beirer, Bradshaw and Swede Joakim Karlsson.

At the front of the pack, Ward quickly moved his Tom Morgan/Scott Stouffer-tuned factory Kawasaki in on Larsson, but then followed him for several laps before taking the lead on lap eight of what would be a 17-lap moto.

"Larsson was going faster than I wanted to go at first," said Ward. "I decided to wait for him to make mistakes. One time I swapped and barely stayed on the the bike."

While Ward was waiting for his chance to seize the lead, Martens had been steadily moving towards the front. After passing England's Paul Malin, Denmark's Soren Mortensen and then Leisk, he was soon right behind Ward. Martens quickly followed Ward around Larsson, then took the lead one lap later.

"He was going slower than me, braking too early into the corners," said Martens, who is known for his sand riding ability.

Although Ward stayed within striking distance, he could never mount a challenge and finished a few seconds behind Martens.

"Martens was riding the sand pretty well," said Ward. "To pass you have to berzerk it, and I was having problems in a lot of the corners. I was riding on the ragged edge."

Larsson held third for several more laps before Mortensen quickly moved in on him after passing Leisk. Once past Larsson, Mortensen was in for an easy third. Larsson continued to fade, as did Leisk, and Geukens took advantage of them both late in the race to claim fourth at the finish.

"I was pleased with fifth," said Larsson. "When you take the start and have the crowd screaming, you can pump up and get tired. The other guys were faster."

In the 125cc war, it took Tragter a few laps to get by the 500s that separated him from class leader Everts at the start, but once he did Tragter quickly reeled in the Belgian. Tragter passed Everts once, but Everts repassed him and the two riders struggled for supremacy in the 125cc class. Everts eventually prevailed with the help of a 500cc rider.

"I had problems with a 500 (rider), spent two or three laps behind him," said Tragter, who finished eighth overall a few seconds behind Everts.

Bradshaw never could get into contention, at first struggling to pass Beirer and in the process seeing Karlsson pass them both. Bradshaw eventually put his Mike Chavez/Jon Rosenstiel-tuned Yamaha ahead of

Beirer and challenged Karlsson, but the Swede held him off. Bradshaw dropped back a bit near the end of the moto and Malin got by to finish 10th overall and seventh in the 500cc class.

"I got screwed up behind a 500 (rider) and Karlsson got by me," said Bradshaw. "I was riding the bike as hard as it could go, wide open and just trying to stay on two wheels. I chased Karlsson for a while, but a 500 (rider) held me up and he got some breathing room."

"I started out near the front and worked my way back," said Parker, who finished seventh in the 125cc class behind England's Rob Herring and Beirer. "I just couldn't get any rhythm, all the kids were going by me pretty fast."

When the second moto left the line 250cc class rider Peter Johansson of Sweden grabbed the holeshot as Stanton tucked in behind him. West German Jochen Jasinski briefly held third before being passed Puzar.

Several 125cc riders started on the first row as well, with Morrison and Joakim getting the jump on the field at seventh and eighth overall. Everts was a first-row starter, but he went down early on the first lap.

"Somebody crashed in front of me and I ran into them," said Everts, whose clutch lever was broken in the fall.

Bradshaw, who started on the second row behind Stanton, was 16th overall and the sixth 125 on the track. Tragter was about 10 positions behind.

Puzar got by Stanton on the second lap, but a lap later Stanton had repassed the Italian and taken the lead from Johansson as well. Stanton then quickly pulled away on his Dan Betley-prepared Honda and rode alone out front to the finish.

"I was up there at the start where I wanted to be," said Stanton. "I knew they'd be fast at first, but once I got by I just kept pulling away, riding my own race."

The real race was for second in the 250cc class between Johansson and Puzar. The Italian passed Johansson on the fourth lap, but several laps later the Swede fought back and retook second. The two stayed together for the rest of the race, and Johansson was unable to retaliate when Puzar passed him two laps from the finish.

"Maybe I passed Puzar too early because he had many bad lines," said Johansson. "I took him and he saw my lines, then passed me with two laps left. I tried to pass him again, it was very close."

Bervoets broke away from an early battle with Australian Craig Dack and closed in on Jasinski near the halfway point, then assumed fourth for good a short time later. Jasinski held on to fifth, while Finland's Pekka Vehkonen charged up from way back in the pack to take sixth from Dack.

In the 125cc class, Morrison could only hold back Joakim for three laps before he started sliding back. England's Rob Herring got by as well and closed in on Joakim, while Tragter worked his way to third in the 125cc class. Herring soon got past Joakim, while Tragter spent several more laps reeling in the Swede and then passed him.

As Morrison began to fade, Bradshaw was picking up his pace and got within sight of him just before the halfway point. A short time later they were both on the ground and out of the race after colliding over a large plateau jump.

"I had been behind Morrison a ways and caught up to him," Bradshaw later said after being released from the hospital. "I went one way to pass him, and he didn't make the tabletop. I didn't even have time to think."

"I was riding my normal line, and Bradshaw came from nowhere," said Morrison, pointing out the white paint from Bradshaw's frame on the back of his helmet. "I had settled into a comfortable pace and was going for a steady result."

Herring stayed well ahead of Tragter for the 125cc win, with Joakim third in class and 10th overall on the track. Austrian Erwin Machtlinger was the next 125 at 13th overall, followed by Parker, who had fought his way up after an early crash, and Ismo Vehkonen.

"Somebody got sideways in front of me and I hit them," said Parker. "I did a dance trying to dodge everybody and got going last. I had fun coming through the pack, you can run into things on a 125 and not crash."

Leisk charged into the lead at the start of the final moto ahead of Van der Ven, Malin, Austrian Siegfried Bauer, Johansson and Ward. Stanton was mired in midpack after a close call just out of the gate.

"A Russian rider just got all squirrely and hit me, there was nothing I could do," said Stanton. "I was way back, and in the first corner I was off my bike, running beside it, after I got rammed. I got back on and I knew I had to ride and do the best I could."

Malin took control on the first lap and Leisk let him go.

"I realize I'm not in perfect condition at the moment so I decided not to chase him but try to maintain my pace," said Leisk.

Ward hung out in fifth for three laps before he dropped off the pace when his shock gave out.

"I was just trying to pick my lines and stay there," said Ward. "My shock wasn't working from the beginning, and once it went I just tried to hang on for points. The rebound (damping) went on the third or fourth lap and it was just a pogo stick. I knew once I fell below fourth Damon's score would come in and it wouldn't matter if I was 20th."

Johansson and Puzar, who had started from the first row, picked up their battle in the 250cc class as they moved to third and fourth overall, while Geukens was on the move and assumed fifth early in the race. Martens' charge ended early in the race when his foam-tubed rear tire began coming off the rim. Puzar passed Johansson and closed the gap to Leisk by the halfway point. A couple of laps later Puzar was in the lead.

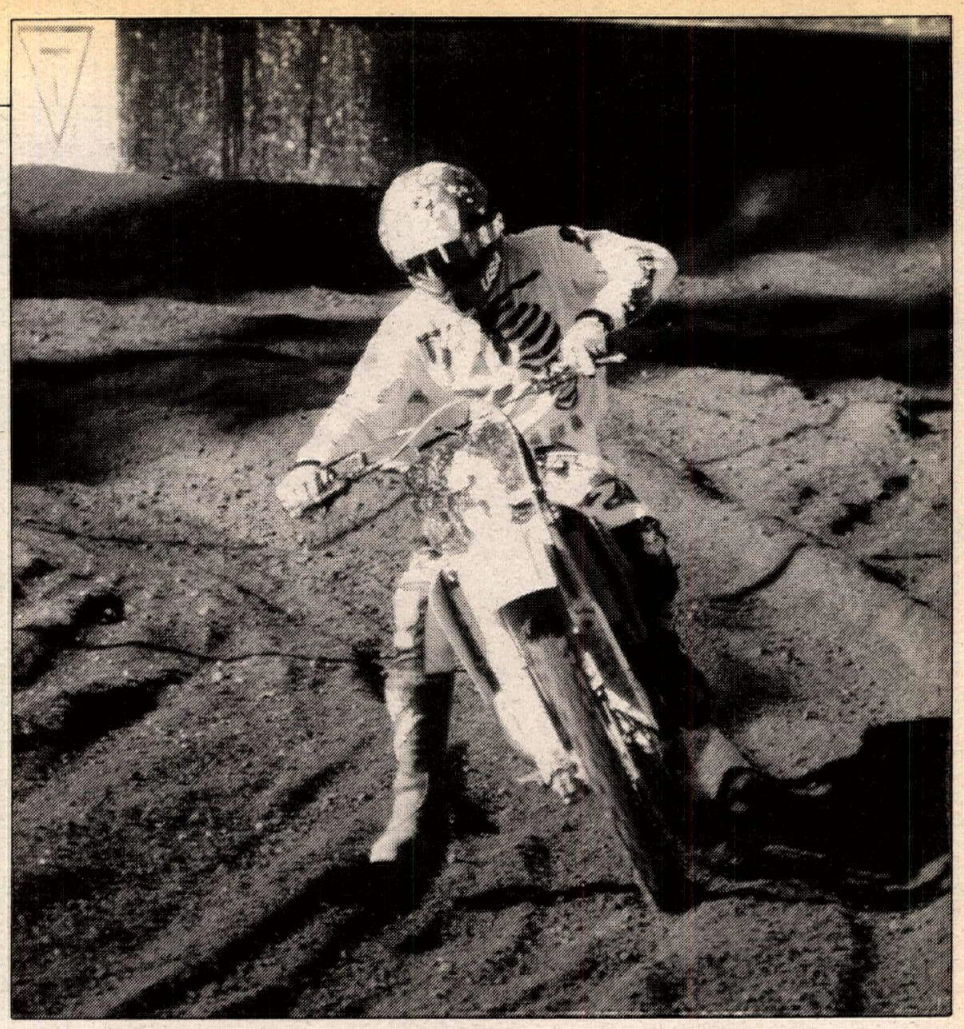
"When I saw I was pulling away from Leisk I started settling down a little bit when Puzar came up," said Malin. "Then I just lost the back end. I got up and Leisk and Guekens had also gone by."

Stanton didn't reach fifth until just past the halfway point when he passed a battling Johansson and Vehkonen in one corner. Stanton had to pass Malin before he could begin to close in on Geukens, while up front Puzar held a comfortable lead over Leisk.

It didn't take Stanton long to get Geukens in his sights, and after following the Belgian for about a lap Stanton came out of the back section of the track alone.

"In practice Geukens follows you, passes you back and forth," explained Stanton. "It's stupid, and I got tired of his BS all day. So I put him down in the back."

Geukens only dropped one position on the track to Vehkonen and was further delayed when he collided with Malin as he remounted. With, time running out, there was little chance to catch Leisk.



Damon Bradshaw finished fourth in the 125cc class in the first moto, then crashed when he landed on another rider in the second moto and was unable to continue.

Jeff Ward (1) battled with Sweden's Stefan Larsson (22) in the 500cc class during moto one. Ward finished second, but shock problems hindered him in the final moto.

England's Paul Malin (7) led the third moto until he fell, while Belgian Dirk Geukens (25) fell after an incident with Stanton which assured the American victory.

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Following Saturday's practice, Bradshaw (3), Stanton (2) and Ward (1) led a parade consisting of all the riders from the track to a rally in the center of Vimmerby.

The Netherlands' Pedro Tragter (30) and Belgian Stefan Everts fought for the 125cc class lead in the first moto. Everts won, but fell early in moto two.

"He hit me in front, he went inside and was going very fast," said Geukens. "It's not a nice way (to pass). I knew I must hold him off because Puzar was out front. If I could get to Leisk I win and we (Belgium) win it."

Stanton didn't realize that his move had effectively locked up the title and in the closing moments he continued to charge for the front. He passed Leisk with three laps remaining and slowly narrowed the gap to where he was just a few seconds behind Puzar at the end.

"That was by far the toughest race I've had all year," said Stanton. "I didn't know we had won so I was just trying to get up front. I thought I had to pass Puzar and was doing everything I could to do it."

Leisk held on to third and the 500cc class win, while Bervoets had put on a late-race charge to capture fourth overall and third in the 250cc class. Geukens was fifth across the finish line, well ahead of Larsson. After the race Geukens came to the American team's pit area to see Stanton.

"Congratulations," he said and shook Stanton's hand. "But I'll remember it for next year."

"I'm very happy to win the moto overall, but I must be realistic," said Puzar through his team manager Michele Rinaldi. "I know Stanton was faster, I started on the first row and he caught up quite easily from the second row."

"It makes you feel good when you bust your butt for it," said Stanton of the team victory. But he quickly added, "The Europeans are getting better and better each year, and to win we just have to keep working harder and harder." CN

Results

500/125 MOTO 1: 1. Jacky Martens (KTM-500) Luxembourg; 2. Jeff Ward (Kaw-500) USA; 3. Soren Mortensen (Kaw-500) Denmark; 5. Stefan Larsson (Kaw-500) Sweden; 6. Jeff Leisk (Hon-500) Australia; 7. Stefan Everts (Suz-125) Belgium; 8. Pedro Tragter (Suz-125) Holland; 9. Joakim Karlsson (Kaw-125) Sweden; 10. Paul Malin (Kaw-500) England; 11. Damon Bradshaw (Yam-125) USA; 12. Peter Beirer (Suz-125) W. Germany; 13. Kees Van der Ven (KTM-500) Holland; 14. Franco Rossi (KTM-500) Italy; 15. Rob Herring (Suz-125) England; 16. Trampas Parker (KTM-125) Italy; 17. Ismo Vehkonen (Suz-125) Finland; 18. Yannig Kervella (Kaw-500) France; 19. Werner Siegle (Kaw-500) W. Germany; 20. Alan Morrison (Hon-125) Ireland; 21. Erwin Machtlinger (Hon-125) Austria; 22. Rudy Goetstouwers (Kaw-125) Luxembourg; 23. Yasuo Tokofuji (Hon-500) Japan; 24. Tommy Lie (Hon-125) Norway; 25. Glenn Bell (Hon-125) Australia; 26. Frederic Bolley (KTM-125) France; 27. Toni Gaberthuel (Yam-500) Switzerland; 28. Atsushi Okabe (Hon-125) Japan; 29. Kim Olsen (Suz-125) Denmark; 30. Janez Sitar (Hon-125) Yugoslavia; 31. Andrei Platonov (KTM-500) Soviet Union; 32. Jerome Dupont (Hon-125) Switzerland; 33. Santi Piella (Kaw-500) Spain; 34. Sasca Simcic (Hon-500) Yugoslavia; 35. David Tougher (Hon-500) Ireland; 36. Klaus Kuritz (Hon-500) E. Germany; 37. Soawomir Wilkaniec (Kaw-125) Poland; 38. Hardy Schadenberg (Hon-125) E. Germany; 39. Artur Monkiewics (Kaw-500) Poland; 40. Ronni Olsen (Yam-500) Norway.

250/125 MOTO 2: 1. Jeff Stanton (Hon-250) USA; 2. Alessandro Puzar (Suz-250) Italy; 3. Peter Johansson (Yam-250) Sweden; 4. Marniqc Bervoets (Kaw-250) Belgium; 5. Jochen Jasinski (Suz-250) W. Germany; 6. Pekka Vehkonen (Yam-250) Finland; 7. Herring; 8. Tragter; 9. Craig Dack (Yam-250) Australia; 10. Karlsson; 11. Claus Nielsen (Suz-250) Denmark; 12. Yann Guedard (Kaw-250) France; 13. Machtlinger; 14. Parker; 15. Ismo Vehkonen; 16. Beirer; 17. Olsen; 18. Hans Hjelpdahl (Yam-250) Norway; 19. Phillip Neill (Suz-250) Ireland; 20. Goetstouwers; 21. Bell; 22. Andrei Ledovskoj (Yam-250) Soviet Union; 23. Torsten Wolff (KTM-250) E. Germany; 24. Okabe; 25. Ernest Grunzinger (Yam-250) Switzerland; 26. Alexandre Morosov (Yam-125) Soviet Union; 27. Lie; 28. Josep Alonso (Yam-125) Spain; 29. Dupont; 30. Everts; 31. Bolley; 32. Rick Ryan (Hon-250) Luxembourg; 33. Wilkaniec.

500/250 MOTO 3: 1. Puzar; 2. Stanton; 3. Leisk; 4. Bervoets; 5. Vehkonen 6. Geukens; 7. Larsson; 8. Mortensen; 9. Jasinski; 10. Johansson; 11. Van der Ven; 12. Martens; 13. Malin; 14. Dack; 15. James Dobb (Hon-250) England; 16. Kervella; 17. Ward; 18. Siegfried Bauer (Kaw-500) Austria; 19. Siegle; 20. Ryan; 21. Guedard; 22. Grunzinger; 23. Hjelpdahl; 24. Gaberthuel; 25. Tokofuji; 26. Takayuki Miyauchi (Kaw-250) Japan; 27. Neill; 28. Nielsen; 29. Oscar Valles (Kaw-250) Spain; 30. Olsen; 31. Wolff; 32. Janez Johant (Hon-250) Yugoslavia; 33. Ledovskoj; 34. Piella; 35. Rupert Walkner (Suz-250) Austria; 36. Platonov; 37. Simcic; 38. Tougher; 39. Monkiewics.

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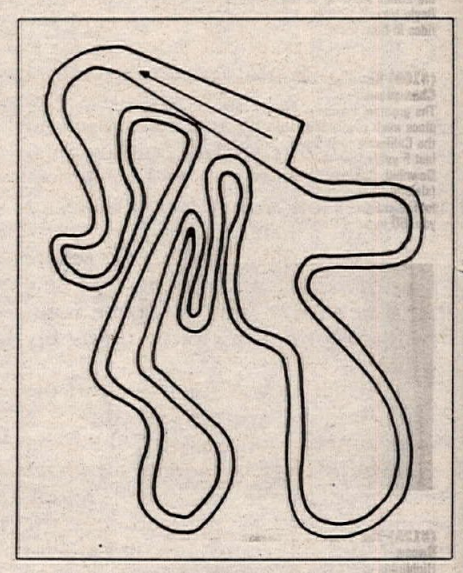

Selecting the team

There will always be some degree of controversy surrounding the selection of the Motocross des Nations team since everybody has different opinions on who should represent the U.S. The problem is there are so many talented riders to choose from.

According to AMA Professional Motocross Manager Roy Janson, this year's team was one of the easiest to select. Data was collected on the possible choices, and meetings were held with the managers of the factory teams for more input. Then Jason met with other AMA officials and MX des Nations team manager Roger DeCoster to discuss the options.

After the discussions, a list of the candidates was sent to AMA Professional Racing Manager Ron Zimmermann, who makes the final decision.

However, before making any recommendations to Zimmermann, Janson put together as much statistical data on the riders as was possible.

"It's easy just to say one guy rode well last week, or somebody has been doing well," says Janson.

Jeff Ward and Stanton already stood out. Ward is the 500cc MX National Champion, had been riding well all year, and had six years of experience in the MX des Nations event. Stanton had ridden well and had the Camel Supercross title in his hands and was about to wrap up the 250cc National title.

Jean-Michel Bayle was another standout, but since he's from France it was decided that he wouldn't be selected and instead offered to the French federation.

That left one other rider who Janson felt had made an impact this season, Damon Bradshaw.

"Comparing Damon to all other riders, to my surprise, he had the highest winning percentage of any rider on the National tour," Janson said. After compiling his statistics, Janson found that Bradshaw had won 28% of the races he entered since getting his AMA professional license in 1988. Stanton had won around 26-27%.

The data was presented to Zimmermann at a meeting in St. Louis, Missouri, and the team of Bradshaw, Stanton and Ward selected.

"I'm afraid some folks think it's a shoot-from-the-hip decision, and it's always controversial," says Janson. "People always have their favorites. We probably have the best problem of all, we have the best riders."

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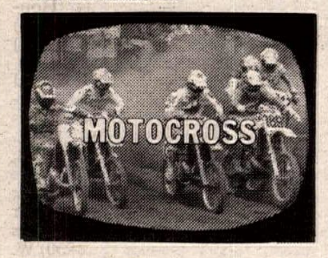

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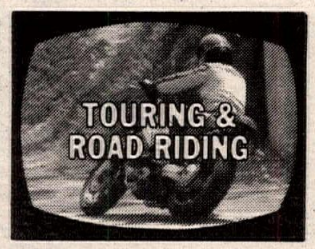

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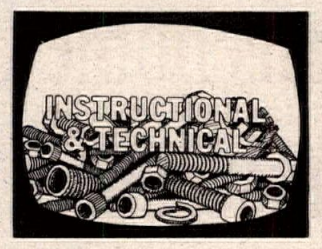

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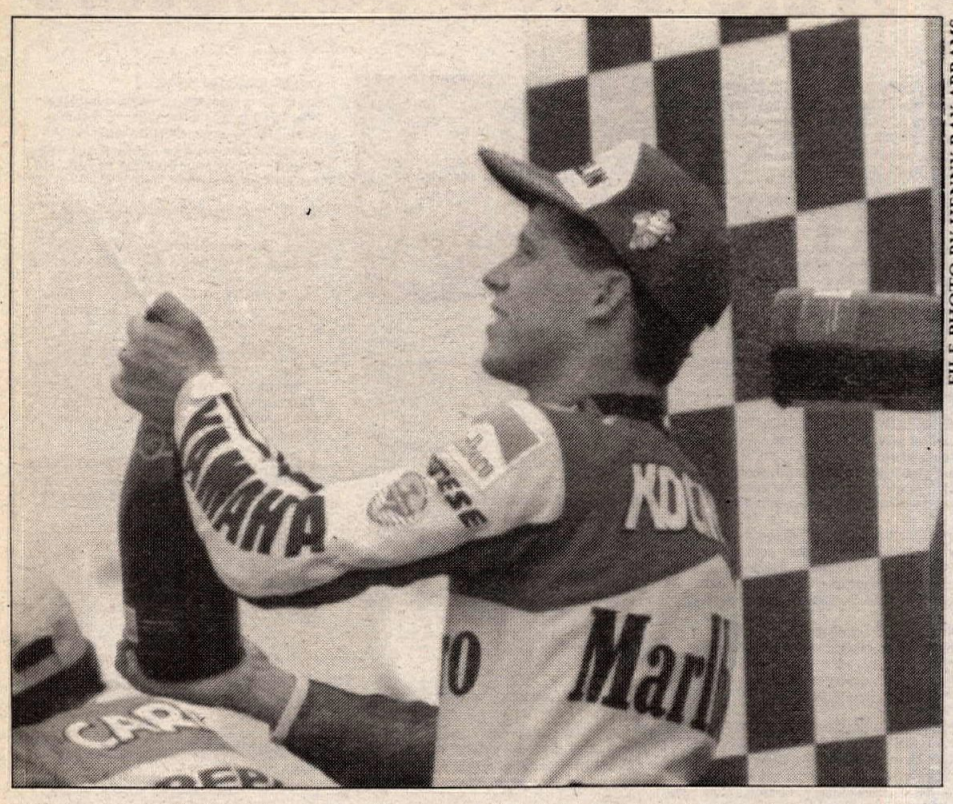

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(Above) John Kocinski won his first-ever 250cc World Championship in Australia. (Above right) Aussie Wayne Gardner was a popular winner at home.

Gardner wins home GP, Kocinski crowned in Australia

By Michael Scott

PHILLIP ISLAND, AUSTRALIA, SEPT. 16

A flapping fairing and a broken right wrist might not be quite the same as a wing and a prayer . . . but that was no obstacle to Australian hero Wayne Gardner.

The 30-year-old one-time Wollongong Wild One was widely written off as a potential second-time winner because of his injury, a season of crashes, and playing second fiddle to Rothmans Honda teammate Michael Doohan in practice. Then in the race he twice dropped back to fourth place, before proving to the ecstatic 62,400-strong Phillip Island crowd that he is never better than when his back is against the wall.

Hungarian GP winner Doohan had the lion's share of leading, but was literally blown away when Gardner flew past on the straight with three laps to go, almost crashing after the draft from the identical Honda put him off line for the fast first corner. Then second-placed Kevin Schwantz went flying off his Lucky Strike Suzuki in the same 150 mph corner, delaying Doohan still further, and forcing him to accept second. It was the brilliant but erratic Texan's fifth race crash this year.

New World Champion Wayne Rainey was third, completing his championship year with his 14th rostrum finish, and endearing himself to the fans by asking from the podium: "Why are we leaving Phillip Island? It's one of the best tracks in the world."

This was scheduled to be the last GP at the seaside circuit, used for the first time for the first Australian GP only one year ago, and now the victim of political sanctimony and chicanery by the Victoria state government. Last year, GP racing gained an instant classic circuit. One season later it has lost it again.

Rainey's Marlboro Yamaha teammate Eddie Lawson, in his last race with the number one plate, was a distant fourth, after making a tactical tire-choice error, with Niall Mackenzie's Lucky Strike Suzuki fifth — enough to secure fourth in the championship for the Scotsman ahead of Gardner.

Australian Peter Goddard, making his GP debut on a spare Team Roberts Marlboro Yamaha, was eighth after a cautious race following a crash in practice.

The 250cc race decided the title in favor of John Kocinski, with the 22-year-old Kenny Roberts protege taking a canny narrow victory over Honda-mounted Helmut Bradl, waiting in second place until the closing laps to avoid Honda hanging out any pit signals to slow the German down in favor of Spanish rider Carlos Cardus.

He needn't have bothered. Cardus, who arrived at Phillip Island with a five-point advantage but only four race wins to Kocinski's six, needed to finish second to take the crown, but was running fifth when his gear linkage broke, and he was forced to pull into the pits for his second mechanical failure of the year. Distraught, he kicked his bike and then launched into his mechanics — but a half hour later, he was prepared to forgive and forget. "It was the worst race of my life, and I don't want to think about it any more," he said.

Kocinski was jubilant in equal measure. "It's awesome, awesome," he said, hugging his Yamaha after the win, which came in his first full GP season.

With Bradl's HB Honda second and Marlboro Yamaha Agostini rider Luca Cadalora third, 19-year-old Australian Daryl Beattie took a superb fourth place, after finding his loyalties split by running in close company with Cardus in the race. "I did everything I could to help him, while still trying to do the best I could. It was like running two races at once," the young Superbike rider said.

Beattie left the works bikes of (among others) Dutchman Wilco Zeelenberg (Honda) and Alex Criville (Yamaha) trailing in fifth and sixth.

The 125cc title was also up for grabs, and also went to a rider in his first GP season — 17-year-old Italian Loris Capirossi. He did it with the help of a horde of other Italians, instantly nicknamed the "Capirossi Cosa Nostra."

The points leader before the race, German Stefan Prein, retired after being rammed by Alex Gramigni; while the other potential winner Hans Spaan was repeatedly shut in and closed down by other Italians, notably Capirossi's teammate and former titleholder Fausto Gresini. Spaan took his hand off the throttle at one stage to aim a haymaker at Gresini, then took the lead with three laps to go. Then the mafia moved in, with Bruno Cassnova and Doriano Romboni (riding a borrowed bike to a new lap record) took second and third in an all-Italian, all-Honda rostrum.

Furious action is normal in the 250 and 125cc classes, but the 1990 500 season has yielded no other race as close or as exciting as that at Phillip Island, making it the best GP of the year.

The nature of the circuit is the major reason why. If Eastern Creek near Sydney, planned venue for next year's Australian GP, manages to be even half as good, it will still be one of the best tracks in the world.

500cc Qualifying

Once the threat of rain had receded, the cold track surface (and a few extra bumps) were enough to see qualifying times slower than the previous year, until the last lap, when Doohan and Schwantz both broke through into the 1:34s. It was a reproduction of the 1989 qualifying battle between Schwantz and Rainey, except this time the Texan's rival was Doohan, and this time Schwantz came off second best.

This year, however, the times were a great deal closer, with Doohan's Honda on top by less than four-hundredths, with little more than half-a-second covering the top five.

Doohan's ascendancy, two weeks after his first GP win in Hungary, was achieved in usual style — a unique combination of tension and nonchalance — and with the help of the fastest bike through the speed trap, at 180 mph in the final session. In spite of his previous win, and Michelin's own recent tire-policy vagaries, they made him wait until the second day for the A-team tires, by the end of which he felt obliged to back-pedal furiously from an angry press release put out the day before, which said in stronger than usual terms how disappointed he was at being obliged to wait.

"I knew Michelin's policy was that I would only get the best tires on day two, and that statement was out of my control, and blown out of all proportion. I have no quarrel with anybody," Doohan told a press conference.

He had in fact already demonstrated his intent, running fastest in the first session on the B-tires, dropping to fourth in session two, then getting back on top once he had the good rubber for both final sessions. But he denied that the joust with Schwantz in the closing minutes had been intentional. "I didn't have anybody else's times signalled to me — only my own. I wanted to get into the 34s." He wasn't daunted by the closeness of the times. "Close races go more quickly, and they're more fun," he said.

Schwantz was in a similarly happy mood, a contrast to the first day of practice when an engine seizure in the morning and a bad-handling spare bike had him down in fifth and somewhat glum. "We've been having trouble getting the front wheel to stick since Hungary — and if the front don't stick, you can't spin the rear to steer the bike," he said.

The next day, they found the right direction for chassis settings, and he was the only other rider to get into the 34s. He also denied he'd known anything about any other rider's times — the fact that he and Doohan had alternated the lead in the closing laps was coincidental. "If there'd been one more lap, I may have been in front. Or maybe not — my tires were fairly stretched by then." He felt he could have gone faster, but the steering was still somewhat wayward after they'd raised the rear end too far, and steepened the head angle. The thought was enough to make him feel close enough to pole to be confident. Then the Suzuki seized for a second time in race-morning warm-up, never reassuring.

All the top riders were in agreement that tire wear was a major problem, ameliorated only by the fact that it was the same for all of them. Estimates of how long the tires lasted before sliding all over the place varied between five or six laps (Schwantz and most of the rest) and two or three (Lawson).

Gardner, placed third after leading day one, allowed he might choose a harder compound and stiffer construction that might give away some speed at the start for the sake of lasting a few more laps. He had other problems, the broken right wrist he's been carrying for the previous two races was still painful and causing numbness in his throttle and brake hand. "I'd like another month off — but if it feels okay at the end of the race, I'll push for it," he said.

Lawson completed the front row, definitely the dark horse of the race after a season of injury, and a dearth of race wins since his return. His tactical plans were confusing; on one hand, he thought it necessary for the marginally slower Yamahas to stay in the draft of the Hondas in the early laps, then: "When the tires go off and everyone is sliding around, then I know I'll be there at the end." On the other hand, he also decided to choose a harder tire. "Maybe you'll lose time at the start, but the tires are really getting ripped up on the left-hand side, and you can make more time on the fast lefts than on the slow rights."

Almost everybody set their best times in the final session, with the track slightly warmer, the bikes sorted, and the pressure on. Fifth-placed Wayne Rainey was an exception, failing to improve on his second-session time, and moving back to lead row two — for the first time all season. He had discarded the experimental new engine

parts to go back to the old reliable set-up that had won him the title.

"I haven't given up, and I want to win," he said. "When we tested here at the beginning of the year, we were quite a bit faster, and I ran pretty close to my fast time in the later sessions. I just have four fast guys in front of me."

Next to him came Christian Sarron, getting set for his last GP, and suffering (along with the other Dunlop runners) rather more serious problems at what is undoubtedly the hardest track on tires of the year. The Dunlops were chunking and suffering carcase separation, a worrying affair on top of the earnest desire not to finish his career with yet another crash. But Sarron is still a racer, and got his finger out in the final session to take almost half-a-second off his previous best and put his blue Yamaha sixth.

He was a similar distance ahead of Mackenzie, who like Doohan also had to wait until day two for top-grade tires, and who then made a gearing error in the important final session. He was in a dilemma for the race — on one hand, he had to finish sixth to be sure of fourth in the championship, on the other he wanted to finish the season with a good result.

Sixth certainly seemed possible, giving a non-finish by the faster qualifers, because Jean-Philippe Ruggia's Yamaha was another six-tenths adrift, and would surely have his hands full with Garriga, less than half-a-tenth slower, although one row further back on the grid.

Factory Yamaha rider Tadahiko Taira was 10th overall, rather out of touch, and one of only two 500 riders to crash where caution prevailed on the cold surface. Behind him, Pier-Francesco Chili on the ROC Honda was having his first race since crashing in practice at Spa, badly breaking his left arm.

Campsa Honda's Sito Pons, also still far from fit, was 12th, with just one V-four slower — the Marlboro Yamaha of class debutante Peter Goddard. The Australian superbike star also crashed, tipping off at high speed in turn one, lucky to emerge unhurt, and still enjoying his first GP outing, which he had arranged himself by making friends with Kenny Roberts, and then going to America to prove his ability.

He had ridden a 500 only once before, for just five laps at the Marlboro team's Phillip Island test in February. "The bike is like a baby. If you try and force it to do anything, it can bite you. A superbike still needs quite a lot of physical force to make it do things. The 500 is very powerful but very precise, and anything precise is harder to use, but it can do the job better if you use it properly. I'm nervous, but I want to get through the weekend and get the best result I can. I think the top 10 is achievable."

This left just 16 bikes on the grid, but with the top five so close, the memories of last year's breathtaking four-bike battle still in mind, a close race was more than possible. As Mackenzie said: "It's good to be at a track where you can really use a 500."

500cc GP

A clean start and some not-so-gentle sorting out in the first bend saw the pattern of the race emerging almost at once — and it was different from every other 500cc GP this year, with no question of any runaways, and the profoundly satisfying sight for the home crowd of Doohan and Gardner leading usual early escapee Rainey.

Schwantz was a little way back from this trio, with Lawson on his tail, then a small gap to Sarron, Pons, Ruggia, Mackenzie and Garriga, with Chili, Goddard and Taira bringing up the rear of the V-fours, and the triples already dropping away behind.

By lap three, Rainey was through to second, putting a question mark over Gardner's fitness for the race, and Schwantz was losing ground, anxious to make sure the tires were really warm to avoid the risk of repeating his previous year's first-lap high-sider; but this was a temporary aberration, and as Rainey seized the lead on lap five, Gardner was still on Doohan's back wheel, with Schwantz beginning to make up ground again.

Then commenced a four-bike battle as good as that of the previous year, and living proof of the assertion that Phillip Island is one of the great tracks for 500s. The leading quartet banged and barged in the slow bends, then drafted and weaved down the straight. It seemed that the Hondas had the edge on straightline speed, but a lot depended on how they got off the fast left onto the pit straight, and who was able to take advantage of the slipstream.

Thus on lap five, to a roar from the crowd, Doohan went back past Rainey on the straight, only to lose the lead again on the following bends. The same maneuver the next lap put the blue-and-white Rothmans Honda in front of the Day-Glo Marlboro Yamaha the next lap, and this time he made it stick, staying in front for the next five laps.

All four were close to the limit, and sometimes over it, and on lap 10 Gardner had a massive slide that lifted him out of the set. As he banged back down, his knee smashed into the fairing, dislodging it on the left-hand side, and breaking his rhythm, allowing both Rainey and Schwantz to get past.

Next time round, Rainey was back in the lead, with Schwantz leaning hard on Doohan, and actually taking the inside line at the hairpin, hitting the apex right alongside the Australian. A lesser rider would have given way, but Doohan kept the door firmly closed.

"The bikes seemed pretty close on speed, and that was one place where I could make time," said Schwantz. His next attempt was even more radical, with the back wheel of the Lucky Strike Suzuki up in the air, and he got into the tight right-hander way too hot. This spoiled his exit and his run round the lefts, and gave Gardner the chance to drive past him on the straight.

The former World Champion's first rennaissance of the race had begun, and as Doohan powered past Rainey into the lead again, Gardner followed him through. "After I had the first big slide I wasn't sure what had happened, but I could hear the fairing scraping on left-handers, and I thought I'd have to stay where I was," he said. "Then I started catching the others, and so I had another go." But it was still close, proven by the fact that Schwantz also nipped past Rainey, dropping the World Champion from first to fourth in the space of two laps.

At this point, on lap after half distance, they came upon the back-markers, and the two Hondas got a better run past Irish rider Eddie Laycock, opening up a small gap; the next time round it was Marco Papa who caused a similar problem, and now it was Gardner who got the worst of it. The leading quartet were more spaced out at this stage than at any other time in the race, with Doohan holding an advantage of more than half-a-second.

But it didn't last, with Schwantz now well on the charge, and Rainey back on his tail, both of them moving past Gardner as he had another huge slide going onto the straight. He dropped to fourth again, and for a while didn't seem able to do anything about it. For a second time, it seemed that this was not to be his race.

Schwantz whittled away at Doohan's advantage, while the remarkable Gardner fought his way back once more, ahead of Rainey, and again they packed up together. Then Gardner dived inside Schwantz, and with just five laps left, the final sprint commenced with Doohan leading Gardner, Schwantz and Rainey.

Until now, the crowd had been treated to high-class motorcycle racing with no quarter asked — a thrilling display. Now it got really serious.

On lap 26, Gardner had his first attempt at passing Doohan on the straight. No go. He had to wait two more laps until he could again get a better run out of the last bend, and move through to the lead.

"As Wayne came by, the wind almost blew me off the track," Doohan said. It put him off line for the fast first corner, and he survived a hair-raising slither, which gave Schwantz his chance to get past. The Texan was desperate to recover his reputation with a final win, and with second in the title already secured, he was prepared to risk everything as he put his head down and chased the Australian rival.

It was a risk that didn't pay off. On the penultimate lap, with the red mist over his eyes and the Honda's tail-piece in his sights, Schwantz piled into turn one. The Suzuki slid, the front wheel tucked under, then it flicked him over the high side at something over 150. It was a spectacular crash, with Schwantz landing on his back on the track, and sliding at high speed into the grassy run-off. He had plenty of reason to thank Phillip Island for its inherent safety, though he broke a bone in his left foot and another in his right hand, and was coughing up blood, with extensive bruising on his back.

"That's the fastest I've ever crashed," he said later. "The back stepped out — I may have done it with the back brake, or maybe the engine or gearbox hung up. It happened so quick I don't really know, but it was the same place where the bike seized in morning warm-up."

His crew chief did nothing to help establish whether or not the machine had seized for a third time that weekend, behaving as if he had something to hide; but later it seemed unlikely, the best explanation being that Schwantz may have kicked it down one gear too far by mistake.

Whatever the reason, it gave Gardner the break he needed to secure his second successive win, and one of the bravest and most determined in a career distinguished by those two characteristics.

"On the last lap," he said, "My bike wouldn't rev, and I didn't think I'd make the finish line. I was expecting Doohan to come by all the time, but I kept on changing up, and then I saw the flag."

The crash lost more time for Doohan, and condemned him to second place by less than a second, after taking the lion's share of the leading. "It made me think when I saw Schwantz go down that this was a bit more serious than just enjoying ourselves. All the same, it was the best race and the most fun I've had all year — better even than winning in Hungary."

Rainey was just over a second behind, also sobered by seeing Schwantz go flying, but more significantly short of ultimate straight-line speed compared with the Hondas. All the same, he was delighted.

"I guess that proves I haven't given up just because I'm champ," he said. "That was real fun, I enjoyed every lap — I wish it was like that every race. That kind of stuff is great for the sport."

The battle for the lead left the rest of the field trailing. Lawson's harder tires meant he wasn't able to keep up in the early laps, and that he had lost too much ground even to see what was going on up front. "At the start, I just couldn't lean it to the right. I went too hard on the suspension too, so you could say I messed up. I wasn't riding well — it was one of those days," he said. Alone in fourth, 40 seconds adrift at the finish, he added: "The race seemed to go on forever."

Mackenzie was fifth, one place better than he needed to clinch fourth in the championship. "I had a terrible first lap — the Dunlops seem better than the Michelins when they're cold, and Garriga, Ruggia and Sarron all went past me into the first bend. I managed to pass one a lap, but I still had to get by Pons then I could see Lawson, but the Suzuki's greater mid-range power meant I had more wheelspin than him, and I couldn't catch up."

His fifth place, 12 seconds down, meant that he was the only 500 rider all year to finish every race he started.

Garriga was six more seconds back, once again demonstrating that he really is improving race by race after a bad start to his 500cc return, and closing on Mackenzie at the finish. Earlier, he and Ruggia had been involved in a close battle with seventh-placed Pons, until Ruggia's Dunlop had started to break up, and he'd pulled in with seven laps remaining.

Another 25 seconds behind, Goddard was eighth, after a solid GP debut. "I really enjoyed that," he said. "I followed Chili for a while and saw where he was faster than me, and where I could pass him. But he was pretty wide, and it was a while before I got by. After that, I concentrated on not making mistakes. I was starting to get a good feel for the tires towards the end, and that's critical to riding a 500."

Chili finished a lap behind the leaders, visibly slowing towards the end, with Papa the best of the three-cylinder Hondas.

Christian Sarron's last GP ended after only 11 laps. The retiring French veteran had started strongly, moving past Lawson into fifth on lap two, and clearly game to join the leading group as he had last year. But his Dunlop tires had a last trick to play, and he started moving backwards again on lap four, dropping to 10th behind the Garriga/Ruggia/Pons dice when he finally pulled into the pits. "They were sliding so much that I thought I would probably crash if I carried on," he said. It may have been the first time in a 14-year GP career that he allowed discretion to get the better part of valor.

Taira's race was shorter still. He ran into the dirt on the exit from Honda Corner on lap two and fell in a carbon copy of his practice crash.

For a second year in succession, Australia's enthusiasm for racing, its capacity for producing talented riders, and the superlative Phillip Island circuit were rewarded with the closest and best 500cc race of the year. Poetic justice dictated that it should end in an all-Australian one-two, for the first time ever in the 500cc class.

250cc Qualifying

Anywhere else in the season, Daryl Beattie's second-fastest time, set in the final session, would have been the

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focus of attention — but in the last GP of the year, with a World Championship to be decided, all foreign press eyes were on Kocinski and Cardus.

It was the former who dominated, moving to the front in the second session, then going faster still in the fourth to take a pole position four-tenths of a second faster than Beattie's best, and fully 1.3 seconds better than Cardus, who languished in seventh place, on the second row of the grid.

The only comfort available to the Spaniard was the fact that Kocinski's Marlboro Yamaha had seized twice, once on Thursday ("Too lean," according to crew chief Bud Aksland), then again on Saturday ("Don't know why.").

The American was cocky and confident, saying: "I felt more pressure before the first race of the year in Japan than I do now. I just have to be sure I don't get any bad luck." Running away, he thought: "might not be the smartest thing to do. It'd be better to keep everyone in a pack, to give more people a chance to finish second. But I won't be watching Cardus; just trying to win."

Beattie, in his first outing on a full works Honda 250, admitted himself somewhat surprised by his second spot, saying: "The hardest part is switching to a GP 250 after a year on 750 four-strokes. There's a lot more to think about on a GP bike." After setting his whizzer time, he added: "It felt pretty easy — I'm sure I can get a bit more out of it. The secret was I changed the way I was riding; changing gear in different places in quite a few corners. I can't wait for the race."

In the process, he had dislodged Cadalora, pushing the Italian to third, Cadalora had professed himself willing to do what he could to help Kocinski, although the prospect didn't seem to please. "It's my job to help Yamaha, Marlboro and Michelin," he said. But he also said he could have gone faster. "The wind in practice has made it very difficult to get the gearing right, and in the last session my lower gears were too short."

Bradl's HB Honda was fourth, mere hundredths slower, the taciturn German wondering whether he would be obliged to help Cardus. In public, he said: "The World Championship is not my problem. I think Cardus can win on his own — I don't think Kocinski will be able to get away from us like he did in Hungary." Privately, he arranged a system of enigmatic pit signals so that if it became necessary to ease back in favor of the Spaniard, he might do so. We would all have to wait and see.

Zeelenberg completed the front row. The Dutch rider has been fighting to regain form and improve his Honda's steering in the latter part of the season, and was almost four-tenths down on Bradl; Jacques Cornu's Honda was a similar distance down, and led row two from Cardus.

The latter was unusually short of fighting talk, and seemed almost to have accepted defeat. "The number two won't be bad for my bike next year," he said. But he was still confident in finding some improvement for the race. "The first day, I was working on my suspension; on the second day I had some engine trouble. I can go faster," he said.

Dominique Sarron was next, somewhat detuned firstly by a big crash on Friday, and secondly by hearing that he is to be dropped from the Rothmans team for the next year. Ever the loyal servant, he declined to make adverse comment, but one felt he might not over-exert himself for the race.

Didier de Radigues completed row two and was the fastest of the Aprilia riders, a position more usually occupied by Martin Wimmer. However, the German had fallen heavily on the first day of practice, bruising his ribs severely. He went out again on day two, and actually improved his time, qualifying 15th, but the next day the pain was worse, and he was doubtful about how far he could go in the race.

Row three saw Spaniard Alex Criville's Marlboro Yamaha leading, the 1989 125cc Champion still troubled by foot injuries incurred in Hungary; then Masahiro Shimizu's works Honda, Loris Reggiani's Aprilia, and Jochen Schmid's works development RS Honda, with Jorge Martinez's Cobas on the far end.

All 30 entries qualified, and most predicted a close race. Events, and John Kocinski, were to prove them wrong.

250cc GP

Zeelenberg and de Radiques led off the line, but Kocinski was up with them, and through into the lead by the end of the first lap. Cardus crossed the line in eighth, behind Bradl, Shimizu and Beattie, and the pack swept into the first corner still sorting themselves out behind the American's Yamaha.

By the end of lap two, Bradl was on Kocinski's tail, and the American obviously had some sort of problem. Perhaps it was his twist-grip coming loose, for his right arm was adopting some strange angles. Then he took his hand off the throttle . . . perhaps there was something else wrong with the bike. Either way, Bradl got past him on the third lap, and even seemed as if he might open up some sort of a gap.

In fact, the problem was with Kocinski's right kneepad. It had come loose on the second lap, and he was trying to hold it in place with his forearm, and then to put it back on. "I knew it would blow right off on the straight, and I can't ride properly without a kneepuck. I need to put my knee down. My leathers have enough padding, but there's just Velcro there, and it doesn't slide on the track. It just about pulls you off the bike."

Luckily, there are few right-handers, although one of them, the fast first corner, is crucial. Kocinski carried on, finishing the race with his leathers worn way past the Velcro and almost through to the inners. He had more important things on his mind.

By lap four, Cadalora had pulled through to third, with Zeelenberg behind him and fading, then Cardus, with Beattie trailing him dutifully for the present. But the leading pair were already opening up a gap.

Kocinski went into the lead gain on lap six, with a desperate piece of late braking into Honda Corner, in an attempt to slow the pace and give Cadalora a chance to catch up, and he stayed there until lap 12, gesticulating at his pits for a signal as to who was lying third so he could map out his tactics. He never got the information he wanted, and Bradl was pushing hard, and by now they were already well over five seconds clear of Cadalora, who now led the Honda pair, Cardus and Beattie, on his tail.

On lap 13, halfway home, Bradl would break no further denial, and moved back into the lead. At the same time, Cardus went ahead of Cadalora for two laps. Then Beattie passed both of them, only for Cadalora to get back in front, the Italian starting to gain ground at once, and Beattie once again letting Cardus go ahead of him.

They held these positions until lap 19, when Beattie thought he could help the Spaniard more if he went back in front to pull him back onto Cadalora's tail. He did so, and they were closing up slightly as they came among the backmarkers. But Cardus had problems that were soon to multiply out of control.

To be precise, his gearchange had been still all race, and though if he'd been able to carry on he would soon have been with Cadalora's Yamaha, he slowed suddenly and dramatically as they ran onto the straight to finish lap 24.

The gear linkage had broken at a heim joint, and his Honda was stuck in fourth gear.

His championship chances were over. He finished the lap, slipping the clutch furiously out of the slower corners, then rode full tilt into the pits, almost knocking over officials and some of his crew, threw the bike down, kicked it, and disappeared into the pits.

Kocinski didn't know what had happened as he rode past Bradl on lap 25, and put his head down for a convincing sprint to the finish. He found out at the end of that lap when he saw his signal, but it in no way deviated him from his desire to win the race. He led Bradl across the line by almost two seconds, punching the air. He'd started the season as a talented rookie — he finished it as a brilliant, worthy and assured champion.

"The race went kinda slowly," he said afterwards, once he'd finished hugging his bike and his crew, and shouting "Awesome" at all and sundry. "I was just watching that official count down of laps . . . 10, nine, eight.

"After I crashed in France and England, the guys at Yamaha and in my team have been working 18 hours a day to make the bike better. I wish it had been as good as it is now earlier in the season. They did a great job."

Bradl was typically stoical about his second place. "I always felt Kocinski had the race under control. There were no team orders, and I was trying to win. He was just too fast." Would he have slowed if Cardus had still been in it? "If it had been closer, then maybe I would have. But we were more than seven seconds ahead — if I'd waited to let him by it would have made everybody look stupid; him, me, and the sport."

Cadalora was third, almost nine seconds down. "I did everything I could to help John," he said. "I just knew I had to stay ahead of Cardus. John has won many races, and proved he was the strongest rider with the strongest team. He is a true champion."

Beattie was another three seconds down at the finish, after a brilliant works-bike debut that might have yielded a better result if he had not felt obliged to help Cardus in the interests of his own future career.

Zeelenberg was a distant fifth, with Criville prevailing at the finish over de Radigues by just under a hundredth of a second, both of them outdistancing Shimizu in the final gallop after dicing for most of race distance.

Schmid's factory-backed production Honda was a lonely ninth, with Sarron a distant 10th, the last rider not to be lapped.

Illustrious retirements included Cornu, whose engine stopped after one lap; Wimmer, who lasted four laps before the pain became too intense; and Reggiani, whose Aprilia seized with 13 laps left.

And so the Kocinski era began. It will surely not be the brilliant young American's last title. As he said, with his usual brash confidence: "Now I know the tracks, it will be even easier for me to dominate next year." CN

Results

125cc QUALIFYING: 1. Hans Spaan (1:46.528); 2. Fausto Gresini (1:44.846); 3. Bruno Casanova (1:44.872); 4. Stefan Prein (1:44.943); 5. Dirk Raudies (1:45.054); 6. K. Wada (1:45.137); 7. Alessandro Gramigni (1:45.206); 8. Hans Leuthi (1:45.492); 9. Stefan Kurfiss (1:45.450); 10. Loris Capirossi (1:45.830); 11. Ralph Waldmann (1:45.835); 12. M. Haisman (1:46.074); 13. Doriano Romboni (1:46.077); 14. Julian Miralles (1:46.117); 15. Jorge Martinez (1:46.283); 16. Robin Appleyard (1:46.337); 17. Gabriele Debbia (1:46.331); 18. Steven Patrickson (1:46.433); 17. Hisashi Unemoto (1:46.538); 18. Manuel Hernandez (1:46.802); 19. Taru Rinne (1:46.988); 20. Alan Scott (1:47.056); 21. Robin Milton (1:47.075); 22. K. Takada (1:47.286); 23. Alex Waibel (1:47.380); 24. Johnny Wickstroem (1:47.348); 25. Peter Galvin (1:47.959); 26. M. Waichman (1:48.187); 27. S. Bragger (1:48.261); 28. Hans Abold (1:48.683); 29. T. Paviell (1:49.857); 30. L. Walsh (1:51.069); 31. P. McFayuden (1:52.364); 32. C. Clard (1:52.874); 33. D. Mayne (1:53.054); 34. A. Palmer (153.671); 35. P. Scott (1:53.778); 32. T. Daly (1:54.816).

250cc QUALIFYING: 1. John Kocinski (1:37.531); 2. Darryl Beattie (1:37.929); 3. Luca Cadalora (1:37.942); 4. Helmut Bradl (1:38.300); 5. Wilco Zeelenberg (1:38.429); 6. Jacques Cornu (1:38.793); 7. Carlos Cardus (1:38.809); 8. Dominique Sarron (1:39.219);9. Didier de Radigues (1:39.366); 10. Alex Criville (1:39.399); 11. Masahiro Shimizu (1:39.602); 12. Loris Reggiani (1:39.874); 13. Jochen Schmid (1:39.996); 14. Jorge Martinez (1:40.516); 15. Martin Wimmer (1:40.814); 16. Renzo Colleoni (1:40.832); 17. Marchelino Lucchi (1:40.998); 18. M. Graggill 91:41.283); 19. Alex Preining (1:41.291); 20. Bruno Haenggeli (1:41.393); 21. S. Whitehouse (1:41.964); 22. Trevor Manley (1:42.401); 23. D. Horton (1:42.422); 24. R. Rice (1:42.461); 25. J.R. Hazelden (1:42.792); 26. D. Moore (1:42.920); 27. D. Evelyn (1:42.214); 28. G. Johnston (1:43.465); 29. Uri Jucker (1:43.508); 30. M. Webb (1:44.651).

500cc QUALIFYING: 1. Michael Doohan (1:34.788); 2. Kevin Schwantz (1:34.844); 3. Wayne Gardner (1:35.060); 4. Eddie Lawson (1:35.335); 5. Wayne Rainey (1:35.367); 6. Christian Sarron (1:35.596); 7. Niall Mackenzie (1:36.095); 8. J.P. Ruggia (1:36.672); 9. Juan Garriga (1:36.737); 10. Tadahiko Taira (1:37.099); 11. P.F. Chili (1:37.370); 12. Sito Pons (1:37.394); 13. Peter Goddard (1:37.855); 14. Marco Papa (1:40.452); 15. Eddie Laycock (1:40.692); 16. Kees Doorakkers (1:44.229).

125cc GP: 1. Loris Capirossi (AGV); 2. Bruno Casanova (Hon); 3. Doriano Romboni (Hon); 4. Hans Spaan (Hon); 5. Fausto Gresini (Hon); 6. Dirk Raudies (Hon); 7. Robin Appleyard (Hon); 8. K. Wada (Hon); 9. Alex Gramigni (Apr); 10. Hans Leuthi (Hon); 11. Julian Miralles (Cob); 12. Stefan Kurfiss (Hon); 13. Jorge Martinez (Cob); 14. Robin Milton (Hon); 15. Manuel Hernandez (Hon); 16. Hisashi Unemoto (Hon); 17. Gabriele Debbia (Apr); 18. Johnny Wickstrom (Cob); 19. Taru Rinne (Hon); 20. Peter Galvin (Hon); 21. M. Haisman (Hon); 22. T. Paviell (Hon); 23. C. Clark (HOn); 24. P. McFayden (Hon); 25. L. Walsh (Hon); 26. K. Takada (Hon); 27. D. Mayne (Hon); 28. T. Daly (Hon); 29. P. Scott (Hon); 30. Rene Waldmann (Cob); 31. Mauro Vitali (Gaz); 32. Steven Patrickson (Hon); 33. Alan Scott (Hon); 34. S. Bragger (Hon); 35. Alex Waibel (Hon); 36. Stefan Prien (Hon); 37. A. Palmer (Hon); 38. Hans Abold (Hon).
Distance: 22 laps, 60.670 miles.
Time: 38 min., 39.614 sec.
Average Speed: 94.160 mph.
Margin of Victory: .267 sec.
Fastest Lap: Doriano Romboni, 1:43.959, 95.498 mph.

250cc GP: 1. John Kocinski (Yam); 2. Helmut Bradl (Hon); 3. Luca Cadalora (Yam); 4. Darryl Beattie (Hon); 5. Wilco Zeelenberg (Hon); 6. Alex Criville (Yam); 7. Didier de Radigues (Apr); 8. Masahiro Shimizu (Hon); 9. Jochen Schmid (Hon); 10. Dominique Sarron (Hon); 11. Jorge Martinez (Cob); 12. Marcellino Lucchi (Apr); 13. D. Horton (Yam); 14. Trevor Manley (Yam); 15. R. Rice (Yam); 16. D. Moore (Yam);; 17. Uri Jucker (Yam); 18. D. Evelyn (Yam); 19. G. Johnston (Yam); 20. Carlos Cardus (Hon); 21. M. Webb (Yam); 22. Loris Reggiani (Apr); 23. M. Craggill (Yam); 24. Alex Preining (Rot); 25. Martin Wimmer (Apr); 26. J.R. Hazelden (Yam); 27. Bruno Haenggeli (Apr); 28. Jacques Cornu (Hon).
Distance: 26 laps, 71.701 miles.
Time: 42 min., 38.600 sec.
Average Speed: 100.885 mph.
Margin of Victory: 1.897 sec.
Fastest Lap: John Kocinski, 1:36.681, 102.875 mph.

500cc GP: 1. Wayne Gardner (Hon); 2. Michael Doohan (Hon); 3. Wayne Rainey (Yam); 4. Eddie Lawson (Yam); 5. Niall Mackenzie (Suz); 6. Juan Garriga (Yam); 7. Sito Pons (Hon); 8. Peter Goddard (Yam); 9. P.F. Chili (Hon); 10. Marco Papa (Hon); 11. Eddie Laycock (Hon); 12. Kees Doorakkers (Hon); 13. Kevin Schwantz (Suz); 14. J.P. Ruggia (Yam); 15. Christian Sarron (Yam); 16. Tadahiko Taira (Yam).
Distance: 30 laps, 82.732 miles.
Time: 47 min., 45.053 sec.
Average Speed: 103.955 mph.
Margin of Victory: .856 sec.
Fastest Lap: Wayne Gardner, 1:34.560, 104.990 mph.

FINAL 125cc WORLD C'SHIP POINT STANDINGS: 1. Loris Capirossi (182); 2. Hans Spaan (173); 3. Stefan Prein (169); 4. Doriano Romboni (130); 5. Dirk Raudies (113); 6. Jorge Martinez (105); 7. Bruno Casanova (103); 8. Fausto Gresini (102); 9. Alex Gramigni (84); 10. Hans Luethi (78); 11. Ari Stadler (77); 12. Gabriele Debbia (55); 13. Julian Miralles (46); 14. Mauro Vitali (44); 15. Manuel Hernandez (40).

FINAL 250cc WORLD C'SHIP POINT STANDINGS: 1. John Kocinski (223); 2. Carlos Cardus (208); 3. Luca Cadalora (184); 4. Helmut Bradl (150); 5. Wilco Zeelenberg (127); 6. Martin Wimmer (118); 7. Masahiro Shimizu (100); 8. Jochen Schmid (92); 9. Jacques Cornu (86); 10. Dominique Sarron (78); 11. Alex Criville (76); 12. Didier de Radigues (66); 13. Loris Reggiani (63); 14. Reinhold Roth (52); 15. Carlos Lavado (37).

FINAL 500cc WORLD C'SHIP POINT STANDINGS: 1. Wayne Rainey (255); 2. Kevin Schwantz (188); 3. Michael Doohan (179); 4. Niall Mackenzie (140); 5. Wayne Gardner (138); 6. Juan Garriga (121); 7. Eddie Lawson (118); 8. J.P. Ruggia (110); 9. Christian Sarron (84); 10. Sito Pons (76); 11. P.F. Chili (63); 12. Alex Barros (57); 13. (TIE) Marco Papa/Randy Mamola (55); 15. Ron Haslam (46).

By Henny Ray Abrams

"It's starting to sink in"

It was nearly a week after Wayne Rainey had clinched his first 500cc World Championship and he was exhausted. "I was tired all week," the 29-year-old Downey, California, resident said following the final practice session for the Hungarian Grand Prix, "because I wasn't thinking about the points lead, the championship, that the bike has to finish. When I wake up I don't have to think about that stuff."

The celebration was brief — one party, four glasses of champagne — and it followed his victory in the Czechoslovakian Grand Prix, the 13th of 15 rounds in the World Championship Road Race Series. "I'm relieved and relaxed at what it all came down to. It's starting to sink in actually. I don't have to finish." Ironically, he wouldn't finish the Hungarian race, pulling out near the end when his brakes were completely shot, his decision to use the iron in place of the carbon reflecting the lack of seriousness he showed toward the race.

Going into the Hungarian round he had an extremely enviable record of finishing on the podium every race. Seven wins, five seconds, and a third, and the only 500cc rider to finish every race he entered. Granted, there was a touch of luck involved. He discovered a cracked front disc after the Italian Grand Prix was interrupted by rain, a defective part that could have been disastrous. And there was the practice crash the following week in Germany where he walked away from a 100-plus mph get-off with a minor hand injury.

The highlight for Rainey: "There were about seven of them," he said. "Japan and the U.S., Spa, all of them. They all did the same for me. In Czecho, Schwantz went out and I was glad I won the race and championship at the same time." The hardest race, "Spa in the rain, and Germany. Falling in practice and not riding 100%."

But what won him the championship was a dedication to excellence from both himself and the team. A commitment to testing that gave them an advantage on many of the tracks they visited and a machine, little changed from the previous year, that was stone reliable. It was an ambition that Rainey felt was achievable after the first race of the year and after the second race, the U.S. GP at Laguna Seca, many had conceded the title to him. It was something that Rainey had thought about for a long time.

"1988 was the first time I set my sights on the World Championship," Rainey said. "I dirt tracked all those years and wanted to be Grand National Champion. Then I wanted to be the National Road Racing Champion. When I got the chance to race the World Championship I wanted to be World Champion."

Rainey's first shot at the Grand Prix road races came in 1984 when Kenny Roberts put together a 250cc team for Rainey and Englishman Alan Carter. It was, in Rainey's words, "The worst season I've ever had." The team had been put together because Kawasaki had pulled out of racing in 1983 right after Rainey won the Superbike title.

Roberts had asked Rainey to join his first team in 1986, a team that would eventually include Randy Mamola and Mike Baldwin, but Rainey declined. "I wasn't ready in '86. I knew the atmosphere from '84 and what it took. Not against those guys." And Honda offered a slightly better deal than Roberts. When 1988 rolled around, Rainey had just won a superbike title for Honda and now he was ready. Schwantz was going to Europe. "Logically, it was the next step I had."

When he returned to Europe in 1988, Rainey felt he was a much better rider, but it was his first on a Grand Prix 500 and he started the season trying to learn to ride one without falling down. It was a good season, he would finish third. "The thing about 1988 is there was absolutely no pressure to win. Only by myself. If you hire a guy to go out and win, he's not going to do it. I always felt like I was going to fall down with it. It took me four races to get over that."

There were those who thought Roberts was foolish to bring Rainey back in 1988. But Rainey knew that Roberts had faith in him and that was inspiring.

"All throughout the years he let me do it on my own. He can relate to what it's like to go through. I couldn't ask for a better guy," Rainey said. "When I need help he could go up to a corner and watch."

What Rainey also knows is that when you have a two-rider team — one of whom is a four-time World Champion — somebody's going to lose.

"It wasn't good that Eddie (Lawson) crashed, but I still had to race Kevin (Schwantz) and Wayne (Gardner). We had Marlboro money, we had Michelin tires: We'd left Dunlop. We were automatically supposed to win. When Eddie went out it made it worse, but it's worked out. At LeMans he let me by and held the other guys up."

Rainey was asked to evaluate the other guys. "Gardner, he's probably the toughest rider out there. He's the animal; a lot of excuses, talks a lot of crap. Schwantz is fast when he has to be fast. Just goes to show the pressure on us. For sure he's the guy to beat next year. Eddie, it just wasn't Eddie's season. Every time he got going there was something to bring him down. He'll be back next year."

This was the first year that Rainey raced head to head with the best on the same tires. He's used Dunlops his first two years with Roberts, then made the switch over the winter. "I was happy we got to ride head to head with them and we beat them," Rainey said. But, he notes, he got away with a lot more riding with the Dunlops. The Michelins, he says, give no warning on when they're going to break away. The side-grip is so good with the Michelins that it causes additional stresses to the frame and the Yamaha was beefed up over the off-season to deal with it.

"It might come off the corner better, but it's too heavy," Rainey says. "Kevin's bike is 20 pounds lighter. It was 116 kilos (225.2 lbs.) in France, safe by a kilo (The 115 kilo FIM minimum). Mine was 126 kilos (277.2 lbs.). The Honda was 116 also. With the camera on it in America my bike was 131 kilos (288.2 lbs). It was actually the fastest Yamaha, but always 7 k's (4.35 mph) down, that's top speed and you can't stop as fast or change direction. We didn't have to develop as much because the tires were so good. The chassis is stronger. They make it heavy, that's why it's reliable."

In Hungary, Rainey was testing parts and chassis combinations that he couldn't test during the year. "You get a lot done when the championship is over," he says. But there will be a lot more testing, beginning with the test at Eastern Creek, the site of next year's Australian Grand Prix, the week after the season ends. It will be there that Michelin offers the spec tires, two front, two rear, that it will offer for sale to the teams next year. Roberts hasn't decided whether to stay with Michelin, go back to Dunlop, or try Pirelli, but Rainey, for one, is happy to see that everyone will be getting the same tires. It's an issue that was divisive and contentious this year and, with Michelin's withdrawal of support for the top teams, as well as development, it appears to be settled, for the time being, at least.

"If everybody's on the same tires, it's going to be even. I think it's the best thing that could happen." Rainey noted that it would also prevent some of the practice crashes riders suffered trying to earn the best Michelin tires.

Another issue that's dividing the Grand Prix world is the future of the 500cc class. Various solutions have been proposed, the currently most popular alternative to the status quo being 500cc twins. Rainey, however, isn't buying it.

"It's up to the factories, whatever they want to do. Are they geared up to go twin racing? How will that make it more competitive? I've never ridden a 500cc twin, but I'm sure it's not going to be as fast. Our last year's bike could've been raced this year. You have to make the bikes available to capable teams. You need something with flash, something exciting to watch on TV."

And Rainey knows that television is the key to the sport's growth in America. "For the first time my family can see the race 10 days later in the States."

He also knows that there is incredible competition for a shrinking viewing audience and, in the U.S. more so than in Europe, from conventional stick-and-ball sports.

"The problem is that we race in Europe and not in America."

Rainey, like a few others before him, would like greater recognition in his home country, and he has a few ideas on how to go about it.

"I think we've got to get it out there more than it is. It's part of the job. If I don't talk to you guys, it won't do me any good. When it's the right time I do it. I don't want to be a bad buy. Popularity comes from proving to be the best at what I can do. I don't want to put a circus on off the track because that's not me and I can't win fans that way."

Rainey will be back with Roberts next year. "We've got everything sorted out but the tires," he says, failing to mention that the second rider issue is still undecided. Though Lawson and the team had a few rough spots toward the end of the season, Rainey would like him to be his partner in 1990. "I hope he stays on next year. We can beat each other and still be friends off the track," though Lawson didn't finish in front of Rainey this season.

Rainey's also planning on employing a driver for his motorhome next year because he's getting tired of driving it. "We've seen a lot of Europe and slowed down quite a bit." He and Roberts bought a home in Sitges, Spain, near Barcelona, and he plans to spend more off-time there with his wife, Shae, next season. It's good news for Roberts and the Raineys, but not so good for the riders who spent this year chasing him, and are likely to do more of the same in 1991.

CROSS COUNTRY 1990 AMA Wiseco/Yamaha/Yokohama Grand National Cross Country Series: Round 9

Tim Shephard began the Buckeye 100 National Cross Country near the back of the pack but crossed the finish line in second place following the three-hour race.

Scott Summers, who is seeking his first-ever National Cross Country Championship title, captured the overall victory, two minutes ahead of Shephard.

Summers strikes in Ohio

By Davey Coombs

WATERFORD, OH, SEPT. 16

For the fifth time this season Kentucky's Scott Summers captured the overall win at an AMA Grand National Cross Country event, and in doing so climbed closer to winning his first-ever cross country title. The 23-year-old, Summers, posted a two minute-plus win over Yamaha-backed Tim Shephard to win the Buckeye 100 National in Waterford. Summers moved into the lead early in the three-hour run and was never headed thereafter. Finishing another four minutes behind Shephard in third overall was HiPoint/Scott/Dunlop/RK Chain's Jeff Russell. The 200cc A class winner and series points leader, Gene Onail, placed fourth with upstart West Virginian Doug Blackwell a solid fifth overall.

Answer/KK/Maier/Wiseco/Tsubaki/PSI-backed Shephard captured the 250cc A class win on his way to the runner-up overall ride, while Team KTM's Mark Hyde, eighth overall, was moved into the top Open A class position by virtue of Summers' overall effort. Kentucky's Harvey Whitaker was the Four-Stroke A leader, while series class front-runners Tommy Harris and Rich Kresic won the Junior and Vet A divisions, respectively.

Approximately 200 riders made it to the starting line for the third annual Buckeye 100, organized by the Pioneer Motorcycle Club. The Buckeye is a difficult trail, surrounded by what many riders describe as, "The tightest woods on the circuit." Making matters even more difficult on this year's seven-mile long course were a pair of bottlenecks that often had the riders pushing their bikes through stopped traffic. Several top riders, including nine-time GNCC champ Ed Lojak and Hyde, had difficulty with the bottleneck stops and steep climbs that followed and lost valuable time in the process. Said Summers of the obstacles, "On the very last lap of the race, after three hours, there still must have been 30 bikes stuck on that last short hill."

The race began with a dead-engine start in the valley where the pits lay. Russell showed the fastest reflexes and charged into the early lead on his WR250 Yamaha.

"That was my first holeshot in some time," said Russell. "If I could have finished like I started, I'd be a hero right now." Russell's lead time would not measure a full lap as Summers, starting out in seventh on the American Honda/PJ1/SuperTrapp/White Bros./Fredette/Maier/Tsubaki/Bridgestone/Camelbak/Sprocket Specialists/J.T. Racing/Sportstown USA-backed Honda XR600, was into the top position with nine seconds to spare at the end of the first 23-minute lap. Russell maintained second with Ed Lojak next on his Smith/Arai/Metzeler/HiPoint Yamaha. Shephard and Hyde rounded out the top five with Team Green's Duane Conner and Doug Blackwell next.

Gene Onail, piloting a Yamaha YZ125 Yamaha, dominated the 200cc A class at Waterford and was the only rider in the division to post the full complement of eight laps. Kawasaki-mounted Robert Tominello was second overall for the second time in as many weeks, this time placing an impressive seventh overall in the process. Along the way he bettered fellow Pennsylvanian Dave Fallas by several minutes. Bentley's Suzuki rider Michael Burk placed fourth with series class contender Stan Lojak finishing a trouble-filled fifth overall.

In Vet A racing Rich Kresic closed on his first-ever GNCC class title with another win in the 30 years-plus group. Kresic put in seven laps to win by a comfortable margin over Yamaha-mounted David Molnar. Kresic's performance was good enough in the whole scheme of things to allow him an impressive 10th overall. Behind Molnar finished Paul Michels.

The first real controversy of the day erupted early when Summers and Russell found themselves on an alternate path going up a steep climb. The organizers had placed a slower alternate route in case bottlenecks formed or riders had difficulty with the shorter, steeper path. Summers and Russell used this alternate line for the first three laps — at a loss of about 20 seconds — while the other riders hit the main line. Observers thought this was a shortcut for the lead pair and complaints were heard before the trail bosses let the fans know the situation.

In fact, Summers lost the lead on lap two when Gary Roach surprised him with a quick sprint up the main line.

"I came around a corner and Roach was right in front of me," said Summers. "I thought I was lapping him already until Fred Bramblett's mechanic signalled to me that I was on the long line. I thought that the path I was using was the real one and the other was the 'wussy' path." Summers would retake Roach before the second lap was complete and would not be overtaken again. After two laps the scoresheets read Summers by a minute with Russell, Conner, Hyde, Roach, Lojak and Blackwell all bunched together. Shephard, dead last off the start, was up to ninth place but more than two minutes back.

Tom Harris moved closer to the class title in Junior +25 action, winning the day with a seven-lap runaway. Harris finished on the same minute as runner-up Donald Bigley but was one full lap ahead. Ohio's Jim Kalleker and Kentucky's Mark Mehuron ran third and fourth in the class. Another bluegrass rider, Honda-mounted Harvey Whitaker, was the Four-Stroke A winner, bettering steady rivals Tracy Warrington and Carey Stump to win the day.

The Senior A winner was Georgia's Terry Mealer on a Spectro/JT Racing-backed Yamaha. Mealer registered seven laps to beat class contender Joe Lojak and West Virginia's Randy Duckworth.

Towards the middle part of the race Conner began making waves on the Arai/Renthal/Keihin/HiPoint-sponsored KX250 and was within a minute of Summers after four laps. However, on lap five Conner hit trouble on the trail big time and dropped five minutes and five positions off of the pace. He would eventually finish sixth overall. At the same time as Conner's decline Shephard was on the rise and after five laps held the shotgun position, 90 seconds shy of the leader. Lojak's up-and-down day had him back up to third but a bottleneck would delete him from contention on the next lap and he would fall to 11th overall at the checkered flag.

Once into second Shephard could not make a move on Summers. "I think the bottlenecks really did me in," said Shephard, the current series leader. "Every time that I started to catch Scott (Summers) I would hit a traffic jam on one of those hills." Shephard would never get Summers' taillight in sight and would finally finish just over two minutes behind.

Summers had one last moment of excitement with two laps to go when he came around to a bottleneck where several riders were stalled. A club member pointed Summers and the riders that followed, around another alternate route and again questions were raised by other riders in the field. The club members explained that this was necessary all day long and riders were pointed around the impassable lines whenever possible. Late in the race Summers would get stuck one last time and this time found help from an unlikely source — race contender Mark Hyde.

"Mark was standing there helping another guy up the hill and then he

jumped over and helped me get up," said Summers. "I yelled 'Thanks' and took off, but I found out later that he was still in the race and needed help up the hill as well. Sorry, Mark. I thought you were already out."

Summers rolled across the finish line ahead of Shephard with Russell a reserved third overall. After Onail came third-place 250cc A rider Blackwell with Conner claiming fourth in that class ahead of Lojak. Hyde, the eighth overall rider and top Open A pilot after Summers, was followed in that class by Honda-mounted Robert McClelland, Pennsylvania's Matt Spigelmyer and KTM pilot Charles Rogerson.

Amateurs

A big surprise in the B class overall, as Ron Palermo, once again, proved himself to be the fastest 250cc B but lost the overall to 200cc B class winner Paul Lemon. The West Virginian beat Honda rider Rodney Judson and Kawasaki KX125-mounted David Black to win the 200cc B class and better Palermo by one minute. Palermo in turn put up a seven lap total to lead a six-bike parade of Yamahas across the finish line in the 250cc B group. Ohio's Jeff Lowery and Jim Gillfillan rode second and third.

Randy Mansberger was also right there with the front-runners, finishing on the same minute as Palermo while running away with the Vet B victory. Honda-mounted Scott Price won the Open B class by three minutes over Flip Jendre, while North Carolina's Harry Greenlee, once again, beat all-comers in the Super Senior race. Rick Parsons won the Four-Stroke B race, while John Gallagher topped Senior B class.

Ohio's Robert Knau won the Novice class while Suzuki-mounted Robbie Jenks topped the Sunday morning Youth race over Shawn Belville and Ronald Groves. CN

Results

O/A: 1. Scott Summers (Hon); 2. Tim Shephard (Yam); 3. Jeff Russell (Yam); 4. Gene Onail (Yam); 5. Doug Blackwell (Kaw); 6. Duane Conner (Kaw); 7. Robert Tominello (Kaw); 8. Mark Hyde (KTM); 9. Tommy Harris (Yam); 10. Richard Kresic (Hon).

OPEN A: O/A Scott Summers (Hon); 1. Mark Hyde (KTM); 2. Robert McClelland (Hon); 3. Matt Spigelmyer (KTM); 4. Charles Rogerson (KTM); 5. Greg Holden (KTM).

250 A: 1. Tim Shephard (Yam); 2. Jeff Russell (Yam); 3. Doug Blackwell (Kaw); 4. Duane Conner (Kaw); 5. Edward Lojak (Yam).

200 A: 1. Gene Onail (Yam); 2. Robert Tominello (Kaw); 3. David Fallas (KTM); 4. Michael Burk (Suz); 5. Stanley Lojak (Yam).

4-STRK A: 1. Harvey Whitaker (Hon); 2. Tracy Warrington (Hon); 3. Carey Stump (Hon); 4. Jim Miller (Suz).

JR: 1. Tommy Harris (Yam); 2. Donald Bigley (ATK); 3. Jim Kalleker (KTM); 4. Mark Mehuron (Yam); 5. Eric Davis (Yam).

VET A: 1. Richard Kresic (Hon); 2. David Molnar (Yam); 3. Paul Michels (ATK); 4. Mike McCarren (Yam); 5. Wally Wilson (KTM).

SR A: 1. Terry Mealer (Yam); 2. Joe Lojak (Yam); 3. Randy Duckworth (Hus); 4. Jerry Duckworth (Suz).

S/SR: 1. Harry Greenlee (Yam); 2. Dana McAtee (KTM); 3. William Miller (Hon); 4. John Baker (KTM).

OPEN B: 1. Scott Price (Hon): 2. Flip Jendre (KTM); 3. Gary Severns (Kaw); 4. Rick Nowak (Kaw); 5. Daniel Palermo (Hon).

250 B: 1. Ronald Palermo (Yam); 2. Jeff Lowery (Yam); 3. Jim Gillfillan (Yam); 4. Keith White (Yam); 5. Mark Thomas (Yam).

200 B: 1. Paul Lemon (Kaw); 2. Rodney Judson (Hon); 3. David Black (Kaw); 4. Carroll Rutter (Kaw); 5. Duane Sprouse (Suz).

VET B: 1. Randy Mansberger (KTM); 2. Sam Forrester (Yam); 3. Jeff Corra (Yam); 4. Randy Riffie (Kaw); 5. Manley Bradshaw (KTM).

4-STRK B: 1. Rick Parsons (Hon); 2. Don Bohn (Suz); 3. Mike Scholl (Suz); 4. Robert Christopher (Hon); 5. Carl Hampton (Suz).

SR B: 1. John Gallagher; 2. David Gillian (Hon); 3. David Dehner (Kaw); 4. Steve Zdybickl ((Suz); 5. Worth Carswell (C-A).

NOV: 1. Robert Knau (Suz); 2. John Gifford (Yam); 3. Sam Ranondelli III (KTM); 4. Rick McCormick (Hon); 5. Jason Ward (Yam).

YTH: 1. Robbie Jenks (Suz); 2. Shawn Belville (Yam); 3. Ronald Groves (KTM); 4. Corey Greenelich (KTM).

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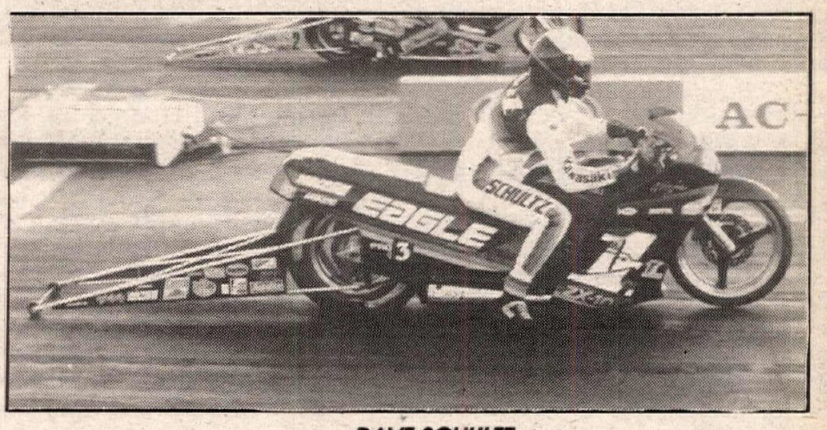

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HARE & HOUND AMA/National Championship Hare & Hound Series: Round 5

Dust was a major problem for all the racers except Ted Hunnicutt who jumped out to an early lead and roosted away for the overall win at the Colorado National.

Four-time National Hare & Hound Champion Dan Smith crashed early in the race which effectively cost him the win. Instead, Smith finished second.

Jimmy Lewis (N1) and John Braasch (N2) diced for the lead in the 125cc division. Braasch eventually passed the defending class champ for the win.

Hunnicutt dusts 'em off in Colorado

By Anne Van Beveren

CRAIG, CO, SEPT. 16

Team Green's Ted Hunnicutt raced 95 miles at the head of the pack to win the dust-marred Sand Wash National Championship Hare & Hound near Craig. The KX500 pilot rocketed off the line when the banner dropped and stayed in front of the dust all the way to the checkered flag.

"I think I finally got my bad luck out of the way at this race," said Hunnicutt, who crashed and finished well back at the Little Snake M.C.-sponsored race in 1988 and '89. "The points help, too. I needed some more to keep me in the running for the championship."

Hunnicutt's win put him one point ahead of four-time National champ Dan Smith in the race for the overall title and just five points behind current series points leader teammate Larry Roeseler.

"This was going to be the decider for me," said Hunnicutt. "If I didn't do well in this race then that was it for the series, but we've all got a shot at the title now. There're only two rounds left and I'll be going for it."

Land use restrictions made a mass start impossible for the 144-strong field and the racers lined up in rows of 10 for a staggered start at one minute intervals. Open and 250cc Experts made up the first four rows, with 125cc riders in row five and Vet class competitors in rows six and seven.

Many top contenders were unhappy with the first-come, first-served approach that organizers used to determine starting positions for the time-adjusted event.

"They stuck me in the third row. I don't know how they came up with that," said Roeseler. "Being in the third row at one minute intervals in this dust — it was all over before the race started."

Dust was a major factor right from the word go. The first wave of riders disappeared in a cloud of silt less than five feet from the starting line and the zero-visibility dust was still hanging when wave two started one minute later.

"The dust was ridiculous," said ATK's Garth Sweetland. "You couldn't see where you were going, you couldn't catch up and you couldn't pass. It was pretty dangerous and it was like that the whole way."

Smith got the holeshot when the banner dropped for the first time at 10 a.m., but his bid for the row one lead did not last long. The KTM pilot went down in a heap just two corners into the starting wash and Hunnicutt swept by to take the lead.

"It was right off the start," Hunnicutt explained. "Smith was on the outside and he started to slide. I thought he was going to save it but it came around on him. That left me with clear air and the 500 up that wash could really haul."

Brandon Gerber's KTM led the dusty charge off row two and Roeseler was hard on the gas when row three's turn came one minute later.

"I got my start but it was so dusty I couldn't do anything," said Roeseler. "It was so frustrating. You're following slower riders in the dust and there's nothing you can do except wait for the wind or hope that some tight stuff comes up. That's it — just wait and hope."

Jimmy Lewis led the 125cc charge off row five but his lead lasted only three corners further than Smith's.

"About five turns in I hit a rock and landed on my head," said the 125cc series points leader. "I spent about two minutes putting the bike back together. It was all bent up and so was I."

Local favorite Fritz Kadlec made it through the starting wash but dropped out of the running just five minutes into the 95-mile course.

"It wasn't a race," said Kadlec. "For Hunnicutt it was because he got out front, but I was on the third row and by five minutes out I didn't have any interest in taking chances like that dust. It was really bad and I don't like riding like that. It scares me so I quit."

The dust continued as the Vets raced off lines six and seven. It hung like a thick brown fog for 20 miles up the Yellow Cat Wash and kept speeds down as the course picked up a series of winding country roads and two-tracks.

Nevada hotshot Danny Hamel was charging hard in second trying to make up time in the leader's dusty wake and CR250 pilot Dan Richardson was pouring on the pace in third. Gerber opened up a lead on the row two starters and Roeseler was doing his best to make up time at the head of row three.

Smith was struggling to get back into stride.

"I got a good start — I just fell down in the second turn and everybody on the row got in front of me," said Smith. "I had a lot to make up and the dust was pretty bad going up the first wash, but I hung in there."

Smith passed six riders in the wash and tucked in behind Richardson as the pace picked up on the high-speed roads.

The casualties grew as the miles flew by. ATK racers Chris Crandall and Paul Krause retired halfway through loop one with mechanical problems, David Porter dropped out of the top 10 when his Honda developed engine trouble, and Jim Clark spent most of the loop, "Just cruising along being a nice guy." said Porter.

Out in front, Hunnicutt was flying through the high-speed sections and making time all the way. He was still going strong as he tackled the enduro-type terrain near the end of the first loop and charged out of the hills towards pit row. A quick stop for gas and the KX500 was back on the trail, heading into loop two a minute and a half ahead of second placed Hamel on a KTM250.

Richardson charged into pit row in third but Smith was all over his tail and a record setting pit put the KTM ace in front as he raced into the second loop.

"I got Richardson in the pits but they told me I was still three and a half minutes behind Hunnicutt," said

Smith. "I really started going for it then. I just raged around the second loop."

Gerber was still leading the row two starters when he came in for gas in fifth overall. Corky Maughan, Wayne Intermill and Kelly Sorenson were close behind, and Greg Searle was holding onto ninth in front of Jim Thompson.

Roeseler streaked into the pits in 10th, six and a half minutes behind the leader on adjusted time.

Braasch was in front of the 125s when he hit pit row in 16th overall, two minutes ahead of arch rival Jimmy Lewis, and Raynor was battling Kawasaki's Paul Ostbo for the Vet class lead just one place back. Raynor was a bike length ahead going into the pits, but Ostbo's Kawasaki led the way when the hard-charging duo cleared the pits on their way into the second loop.

The 48-mile second loop headed northeast through Sheephead Basin toward Bears Ears Peak and then headed downhill to the worst sand wash of the event. There were other problems to contend with as the dusty race wore on.

"I got out of the dust halfway through the second loop but by then the bike wouldn't run because the filter was so clogged," said Ostbo.

Smith's race-long charge started to pay off late in the second loop. He caught teammate Hamel in a tight wash and started to close in on Hunnicutt. "He was getting close," said Hunnicutt. "I could look back a ways on some of the roads and see him back there. I just tried to keep it going."

Smith started to make his move near the end of the last wash, but the 48-mile loop proved too much.

"I caught him right at the end and then I ran out of gas," said Smith. "I made a lot of time on him and I think I might've caught him if that hadn't happened."

Smith was carrying gas but getting it into the tank took too much time. Hunnicutt sprinted all the way to the finish and took the checkered flag with a total elapsed time of two and a half hours — less than a minute and a half ahead of Smith. Hamel slid home just a few bike lengths behind Smith to take third overall and first in the 250cc division.

Brandon Gerber brought his KTM540 home in fifth and Roeseler finished sixth.

Kelly Sorenson took seventh overall on adjusted time, with Corky Maughan, Jim Thompson and Ed Sorenson rounding out the top 10.

Paul Ostbo finished 11th in the time-adjusted standings to take the Vet class honors. "It's a far cry from last weekend at the ISDE in Sweden," said Ostbo. "We had 16 mph averages in the woods that nobody could keep up with, and lots of roots, rocks and rain. This is quite a change."

John Braasch dominated the 125s all the way to the finish and took the class win almost two minutes ahead of Jimmy Lewis. CN

Results

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OPEN EX: 1. Ted Hunnicutt (Kaw); 2. Dan Smith (KTM); 3. Brandon Gerber (KTM).

250 EX: 1. Danny Hamel (KTM); 2. Dan Richardson (Hon); 3. Corky Maughan (Suz).

125 EX: 1. John Braasch (Yam); 2. Jimmy Lewis (KTM).

VET OPEN EX: 1. Paul Ostbo (Kaw); 2. Troy Raynor (Hon); 3. Grant Palenske (Yam).

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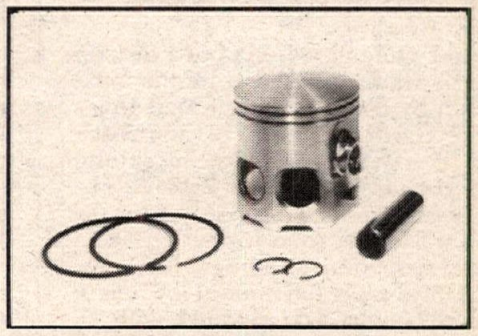

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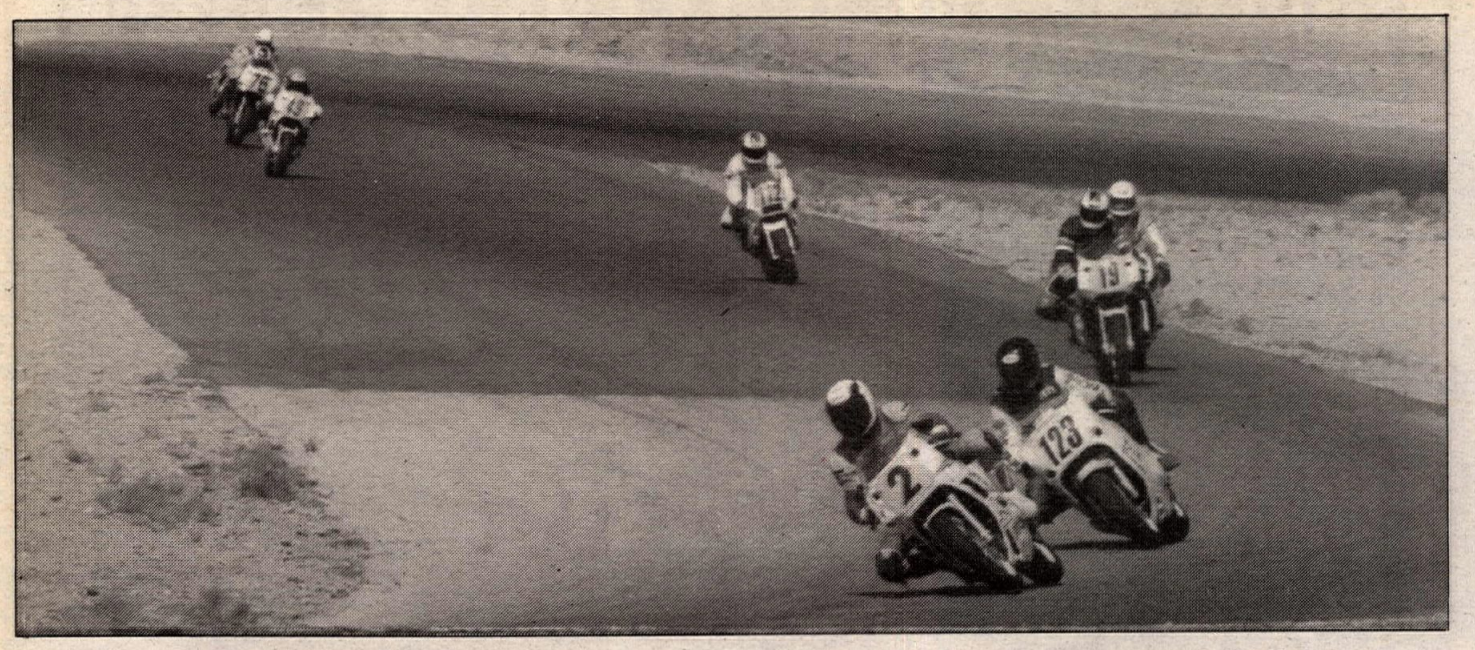
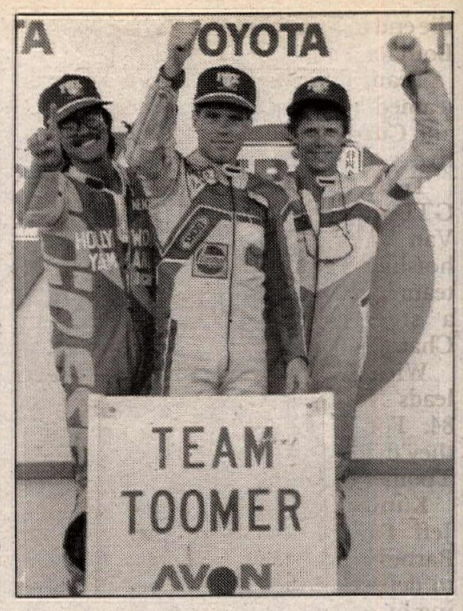
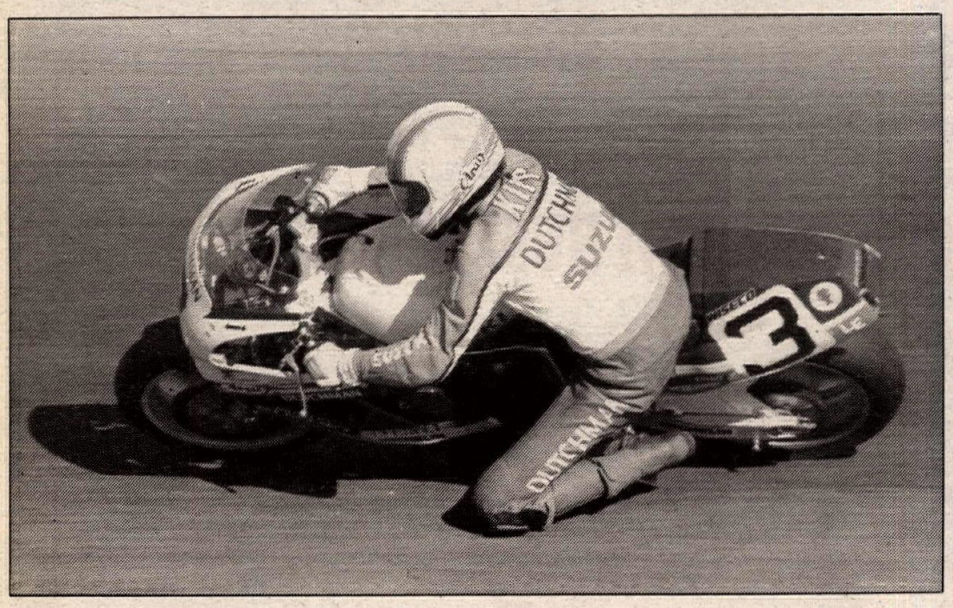


Team Toomer's Kent Kunitsugu (2) leads Del Amo's Dean Mizdal (123) early in the three-hour Endurance Challenge.

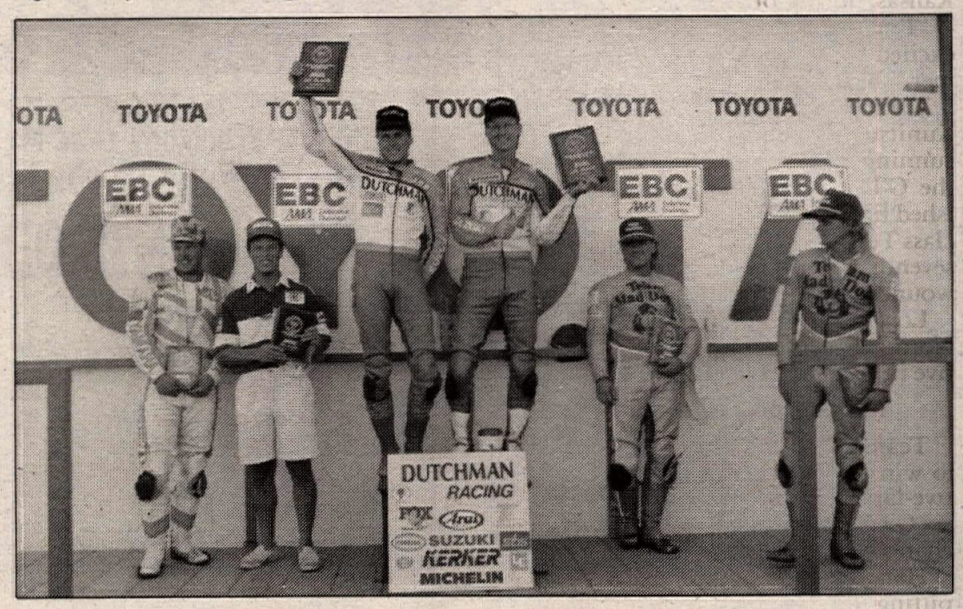


(L to R) Kunitsugu, Jeff Farmer and Mike Barnes topped the GTU class.

Tom Kipp teamed with Dale Quarterley on the Dutchman II Suzuki in an effort to earn that team second place in the season point standings; the duo won.



(L to R) Boulder's John Hopperstad and Danny Walker, Dutchman II's Kipp and Quarterley, and Mad Dog's Mike Harth and Larry Schwarzbach in the winner's circle.



Dutchman II wins with borrowed riders at Willow Springs

By Brian Catterson
Photos by Kai Schwerdtfeger

ROSAMOND, CA, SEPT. 15

The name of the team may have changed, but it was the same old players who won the three-hour Endurance Challenge at Willow Springs International Raceway.

Dutchman Racing's Dale Quarterley and Tom Kipp, having clinched the GTO title in the previous round of the series at Topeka, Kansas, today hopped onto the Dutchman II Suzuki GSXR1100 in the hopes of solidifying that team's second place in the series point standings.

And while they didn't put a lock on the position, they did score the maximum by defeating Team Mad Dog's Mike Harth and Larry Schwartzbach and Boulder Yamaha Racing's John Hopperstad and Danny Walker. The 20 points Dutchman II earned for the win moves the team further ahead in the series point standings; they now lead third-place Keystone 91 to 77, with Team Toomer Too in fourth with 75. One round remains in the series at Daytona, Florida, on October 28.

A slim field of 19 entries — 10 in the GTO class and nine in the GTU — took to the starting grid, the low turnout likely due to the fact that the race was being held on the West Coast late in the season, and that many local teams were saving their resources for the WERA 24-Hour the following weekend.

At 2:45 p.m., Team Mad Dog's Harth led the GTO field into turn one to begin the three-hour event, trailed by Dutchman's Quarterley, Boulder Yamaha's Walker, Johnson & Wood's Richard Moore, Keystone's Tripp Nobles, Toomer Too's Curtis Adams and Dutchman's Jacques Guenette, who was finally getting some time in the Suzuki's saddle since teammate Donald Jacks had opted not to make the trip west from Florida.

Moore, who just returned from a season of Japanese F-1 racing, passed Walker to move into third place, but the Coloradoan would have nothing of it, promptly repassing the southern Californian and pulling away. Moore's race was destined to end on lap 61 with mechanical problems.

Just less than a half-hour into the race, Nobles came past the Keystone pits pointing at the front end. A few minutes later, he pitted with a flat front tire.

"I already lost one front end out there," the Georgian said in reference to his crash in turn nine during the WERA Pro Series weekend. "I ain't gonna do it again."

The team lost a lap changing the front tire, following which Jay Denham climbed aboard the big-bore Suzuki and returned to the fray. The only problem was that the Dunlop tire Denham was riding on was one they had used at Topeka, and which they'd practiced on at Willow; it was used up even before Denham put any time on it. Both tires would be replaced before Nobles went out for his second time. They'd eventually finish sixth, five laps behind the leaders.

Dutchman Racing also had problems when, during Greene's first stint, a leaking oil cooler had to be replaced.

"I was plugging away on Boulder and all of a sudden I couldn't keep my ass on the seat or my feet on the pegs," Greene said.

The Dutchman crew quickly changed the oil cooler, but the downtime, plus the fact that the bike didn't have a large fuel tank and each rider would have to do two stints, cost them dearly; they'd finish a lowly ninth, eight laps behind their pseudo-teammates.

Dutchman II managed to put some ground between themselves and Mad Dog when, during Schwarzbach's stint, the rear tire chunked, and he was signaled to come into the pits after slowing considerably.

"I didn't think there was a problem with it (the tire). It just felt like it was sliding a lot," the Texan said.

But Dutchman II was not without their own problems, as transmission problems meant the bike could only be ridden in fourth or fifth gear.

"Turn one wasn't bad, but the hill was tough. You'd back off the throttle and the rear wheel would just go sideways," Quarterley said.

"It makes it really hard to pass lapped riders," Kipp added.

During the final hour, the race turned into a showdown between Quarterley on the ailing Dutchman II machine and Harth on the potent Mad Dog Yamaha FZR1000-powered OW01. Quarterley led by the length of the front straightaway, but Harth was closing, turning 1:30s and 31s to Quarterley's mostly 32s and 33s.

However, Harth's gallant effort was for naught as he was forced to pit for additional fuel and a new rear tire with 25 minutes remaining. Harth stayed on, eventually finishing second, just shy of 50 seconds behind Quarterley.

"Our lead was down to 14 seconds, but when Mad Dog pitted it went back to 35," Quarterley said afterward. He credited the team's decision to use hard-compound Michelin slicks, which lasted the entire race distance, for the win.

Boulder Yamaha turned in a fine performance on their fuel-injected FZR1000, running a trouble-free race to finish third, one lap behind the leaders. Like Dutchman II, Boulder's hard-compound Michelins went the distance.

Fastline-MCM Racing's Jeff Stern and Tommy Lynch ran a consistent race, being passed by the GTU leaders in the early goings but being there in

the end to finish fourth, one lap behind Boulder Yamaha.

Team Toomer Too's Danny Roberts teamed with local riders Lee Shierts and Curtis Adams to round out the top five, yet another lap down.

Team Toomer fared better in the GTU ranks, where Team Captain Jake Van Vleet enlisted the help of local hotshoe Kent Kunitsugu to put the team in the winner's circle and to move a step closer toward the GTU Championship.

With one round remaining, Toomer leads Northstar GTU Racing, 101 to 84. For Northstar to win the title, they'd have to win at Daytona with Toomer finishing 12th or worse.

Kunitsugu joined Toomer regular Jeff Farmer and a returning Mike Barnes on the team's Yamaha FZR600 to defeat second-place Super 'B' Racing by one lap with Team America an additional two laps down in third.

According to Barnes, he was returning to Team Toomer after being fired for again crashing his Team Mad Dog 600cc Supersport bike at Topeka, Kansas, during practice.

"I'm not a dog anymore, but I'm excited to be back with Team Toomer," Barnes said.

Toomer led start to finish, with Kunitsugu grabbing the holeshot and running away, completely outclassing the GTU field. They eventually finished fifth overall, just ahead of GTO-class Team Toomer Too. Super 'B' was seventh overall while Team America wound up 10th overall.

Local team Big City Racing and Northstar GTU rounded out the top five in the GTU class.

Monsterbike Shoot-Out

Team Mad Dog led start to finish to win the Monsterbike Shoot-Out, a five-lap sprint race featuring the top-six GTO teams with a mandatory rider change.

Harth started the race for Mad Dog, pitting on lap four to hand off to Schwarzbach, who returned to the track just ahead of Dutchman II's Quarterley. Schwarzbach managed to hold off Quarterley on the final lap to take the checkered flag, but it didn't really matter, as Dutchman II had pitted on the wrong lap and were docked a lap for not obeying the "meatball" flag signifying a mandatory stop-and-go penalty.

Dutchman II's penalty gave second place to Dutchman Racing's Guenette and Greene, with Boulder Yamaha's Hopperstad and Walker third. CN

Results

GTO: 1. Dutchman II (Suz); 2. Team Mad Dog (Yam); 3. Boulder Yamaha Racing (Yam); 4. Fastline-MCM Racing (Suz); 5. Team Toomer Too (Suz); 6. Keystone Racing (Suz); 7. Del Amo (Suz); 8. Team Magic (Yam); 9. Dutchman Racing (Suz); 10. Johnson & Wood (Suz).

GTU: 1. Team Toomer (Yam); 2. Super 'B' Racing (Yam); 3. Team America (Yam); 4. Big City Racing (Yam); 5. Northstar GTU Racing (Yam); 6. Team Mad Dog II (Yam); 7. Out Racing (Yam); 8. Fewco Racing (Kaw); 9. Intersport Racing (Yam).

Distance: 116 laps, 290 miles

Margin of Victory: 49.07 seconds

GTO POINT STANDINGS: 1. Dutchman Racing (119); 2. Dutchman II (91); 3. Keystone Racing (77); 4. Team Toomer Too (75); 5. Boulder Yamaha Racing (66); 6. Team Mad Dog (65); 7. Team Magic (55); 8. The Human Race Team (49); 9. Fastline-MCM Racing (36); 10. Northstar Racing (26); 11. Houston Kawasaki (25); 12. A-Hammer Racing (17); 13. Addicted Racing (11); 14. (TIE) Lallier Racing/Team Elephant/American Eagle Racing (10).

GTU POINT STANDINGS: 1. Team Toomer (101); 2. Northstar GTU Racing (84); 3. (TIE) Super 'B' Racing/Team America (79); 5. Just For Fun (53); 6. Thumper Bros. Racing (50); 7. Chic Magnet Racing (46); 8. Hornblower Racing (40); 9. WCB Racing (30); 10. (TIE) Team Mad Dog II/Team OTS (25); 12. Bally's U.S. Swim & Fitness (21); 13. Fewco Racing (16); 14. Intersport Racing (14); 15. (TIE) Lanin Racing/Norben Racing/Best Effort Racing (13).

MNSTR/BK S/O: 1. Team Mad Dog, Larry Schwarzbach/Mike Harth (Yam); 2. Dutchman Racing, Don Greene/Jacques Guenette (Suz); 3. Boulder Yamaha Racing, John Hopperstad/Danny Walker (Yam); 4. Team Toomer Too, Danny Roberts/Curtis Adams (Suz); 5. Team Magic, Jan Erik Svensson/Craig Shambaugh (Yam); 6. Dutchman II, Dale Quarterley/Tom Kipp (SUz).

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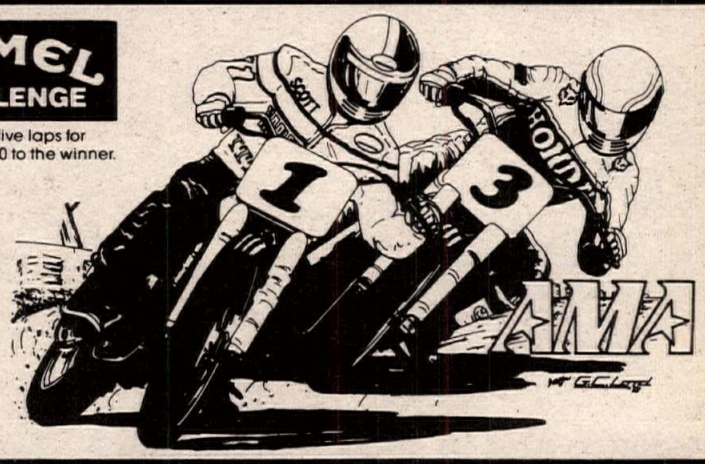

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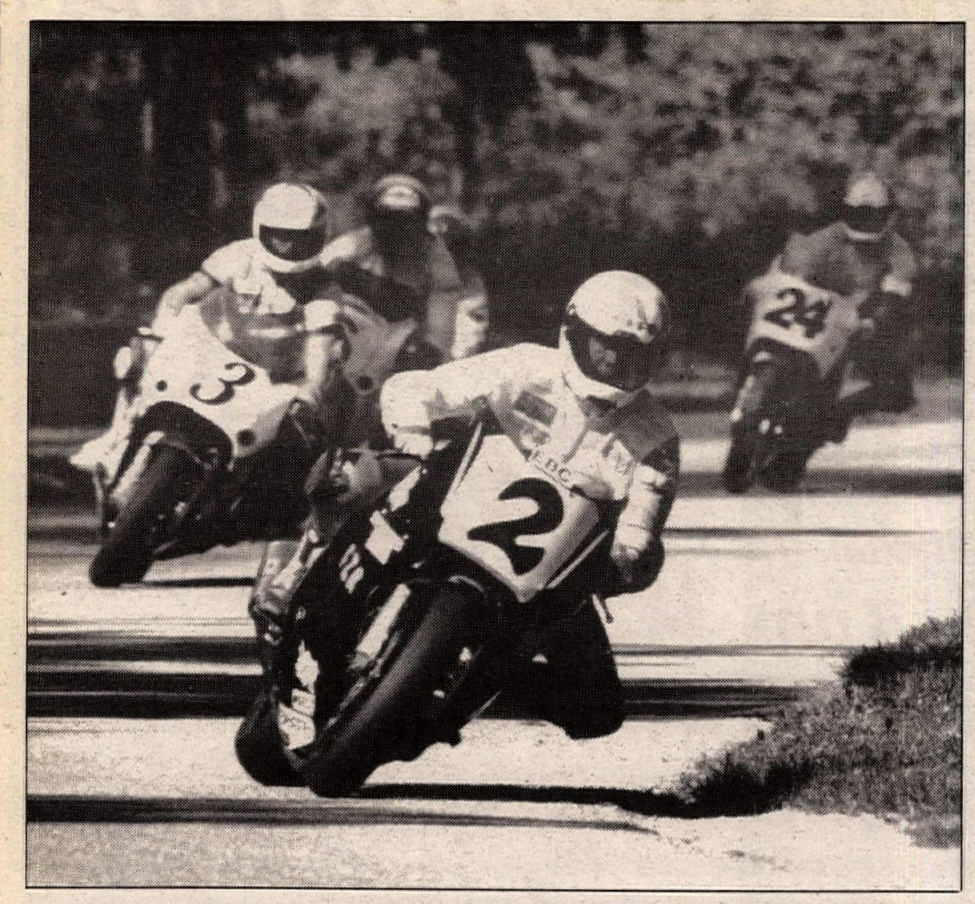
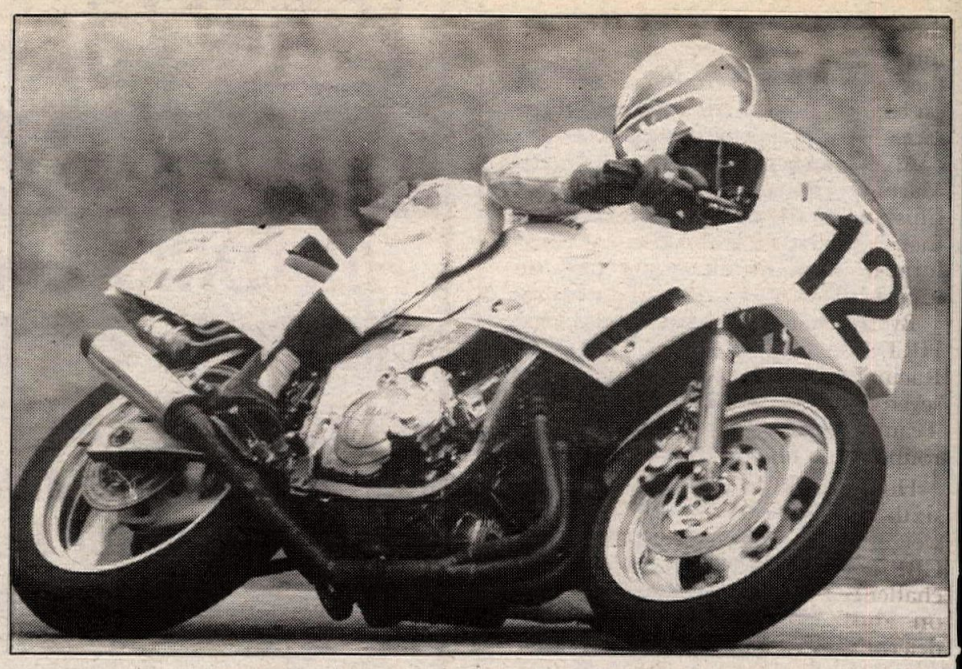
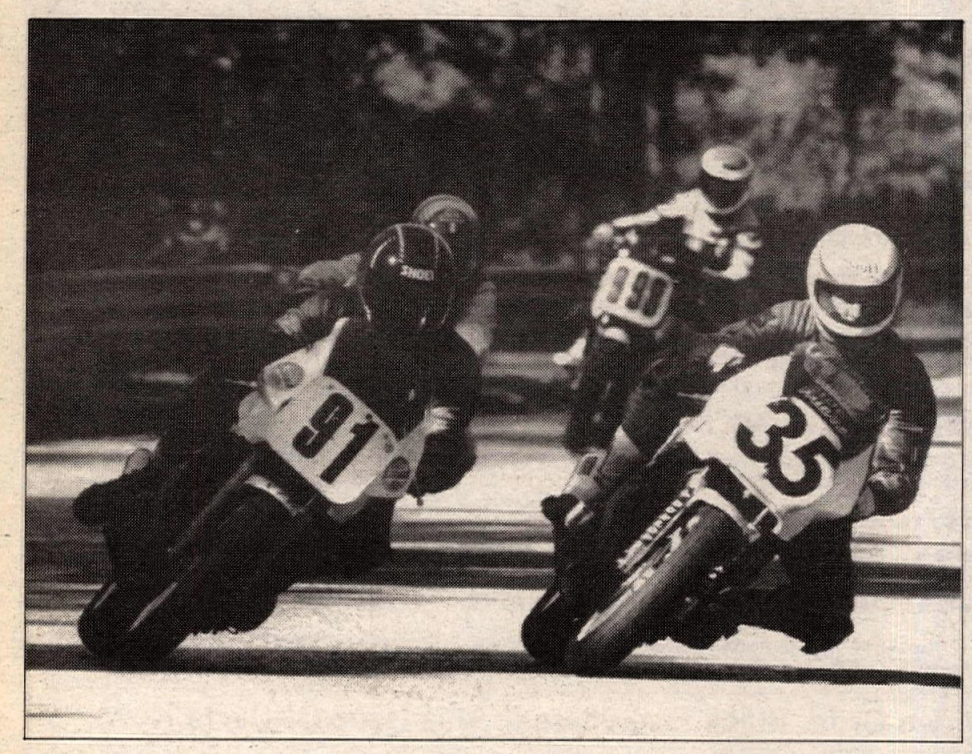


The Human Race Team's Andy Fenwick (2) leads the eight-hour endurance race at Blackhawk Farms; Fenwick lapped the entire field in the first 30 minutes.

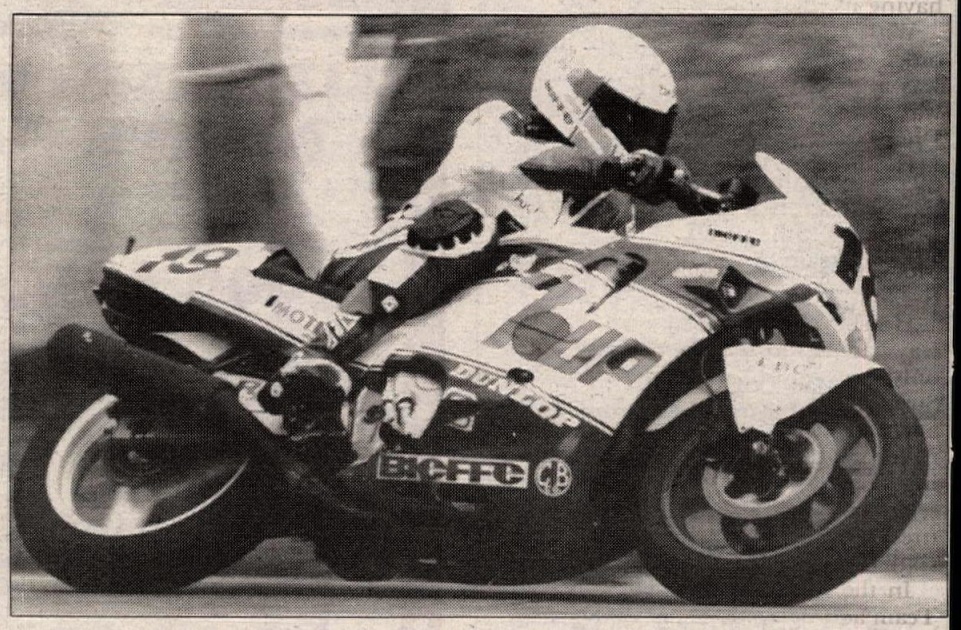


Honda of Niles Racing dominated the Mediumweight Production class and finished fourth overall; it was the team's sixth straight class win.

Lightweight class winner Team Dreaded (91) prepares to pass Voight Brothers Racing (35); Dreaded finished third overall on their Yamaha FZR400.



RKN Racing shed the bad luck that has plagued them throughout the season to win the Mediumweight Superbike class at Blackhawk Farms.



Humans reap Blackhawk Farms

By Larry Lawrence

SOUTH BELOIT, IL, SEPT. 15

The Human Race Team won their second WERA National Endurance race of the season at their home track of Blackhawk Farms Raceway. Track record-holder Andy Fenwick teamed with Steve Rodden to dominate the eight-hour event, completing 366 laps of the 1.8-mile Blackhawk circuit.

Hall 'N Still Racing with riders Michael Martin, Randy Gaddey and Bruce Baldus finished second with 356 laps. Team Dreaded finished an amazing third overall on their Yamaha FZR400, the first time a Lightweight-class team has visited the winner's circle since Team Sledge rode their Kawasaki EX500 to third place in the rain-sodden 1989 Grand National Finals at Road Atlanta. Team Dreaded completed 352 laps.

The turnout for Blackhawk was light because several teams were preparing for the upcoming Willow Springs 24-Hour and because no Yamaha contingencies were available. Only 30 teams lined up for the start of the event. Among those absent were defending WERA Endurance Champions Team Suzuki Endurance.

Blackhawk had not hosted a National Endurance for several years. The track's racing surface is old and partly consists of smoothed-over, race-worn pebbles. Many racers consider the surface to be extremely slick, yet traction didn't seem to be a problem this weekend. Ed Key, a retired racing veteran who won dozens of races at Blackhawk, was on hand to watch the race and explained that the surface seems to yield good traction within a narrow temperature range.

"If the ambient temperature is anywhere in the 70s there's good traction," Key said, "Any colder than that and the track is really slick. Under hot conditions the track again becomes greasy and slick."

With mostly sunny skies and temperatures in the low 70s it was a good day for racing.

Fenwick used his ample experience at the racing facility to put The Human Race Team's Yamaha FZR1000 out front early in the race. Bob Sandy was riding the stock Hinshaw Racing Honda RC30 aggressively, and was alone in second only minutes into the race. Royale Racing's Doug Henry had his team's Suzuki GSXR1100 up to third place, but was being challenged by TBA Racing, Action Suzuki and American Spirit Racing. On lap seven, ASR rider Dave Raber tried to make an outbraking move on Henry going into turn one and crashed out of the race.

Fenwick was so dominant in his first riding stint that he lapped the entire field in the first half hour. After doing so, he backed off the pace a couple of seconds per lap, maintaining a safe lead.

Besides Fenwick's ride, the story of the first hour was the charge put on by Team Dreaded's Matthew Winnacker. Winnacker was flying through the turns on his team's little Yamaha. By the end of the first hour, Winnacker had Team Dreaded in third overall, over a minute ahead of fourth-place Royale Racing. Winnacker, however, didn't act like his first hour ride was any big deal.

"A small, good-handling machine is perfectly suited for this track," said the unpretentious rider from Missouri. "I've ridden this track so many times I know it by heart. A lot of these guys haven't been here before."

A good performance by the Action Suzuki squad came to an end during the second hour when the transmission on their Suzuki broke. The team considered putting their back-up bike into the race, but decided to save it for the upcoming 24-Hour.

With Rodden on the HRT Yamaha, the team continued to stretch its lead. Hinshaw Racing remained in second, but without Sandy on the bike they were being caught by Team Dreaded.

Hall 'N Still made their move during the third hour and pulled into second place. The Cincinnati, Ohio-based team felt they had a good chance of winning this event, but fastman Martin fell sick and Baldus missed a connecting flight in Chicago, Illinois. Baldus made it to the track just in time for the start and got his first taste of the tricky course during the race. The team picked up Randy Gaddey to help fill in for the eight-hour event. Once the kinks were worked out, Hall 'N Still began working their way up in the standings, but by that time the Humans were five laps in the lead.

Hinshaw Racing's RC30 ran out of gas in the third hour and dropped back to sixth place. Early in the next hour, Darwin Hinshaw crashed in the last

turn, dropping the team back even further. After such a promising start, the team would now have to concentrate on coming from behind the rest of the race.

After running in the top 10, Team Machine lost any chance of a good finish when the transmission broke on their Yamaha FZR600. The team performed an engine swap and went on to finish 17th.

By the halfway point in the race, HRT had completed 184 laps. TBA Racing moved into second but were seven laps behind HRT. Hall 'N Still, Team Dreaded and Honda of Niles rounded out the top-five runners.

Honda of Niles was going for their sixth-straight win in the Medium-weight Production class, but the Honda CBR600-mounted team was being challenged by Motion Systems Racing on another Honda. The race was determined in the closing stages of the race when Motion Systems had to pit for new brake pads, giving Honda of Niles their eighth win of the year.

In the sixth hour, second-place TBA Racing blew a motor on the team's Suzuki. Up to that point, the team was having its finest race of the season.

With TBA's problems, the running order at the top became the same as it was after the first hour. Hall 'N Still was again up into second, with Team Dreaded back up to third.

Heading into the final hour, HRT had its biggest lead of the day with a nine-lap margin over Hall 'N Still. Team Dreaded, Honda of Niles and Motion Systems rounded out the top five.

Hinshaw Racing had worked their way back up to seventh place and was only one lap behind Royale. Royale's Suzuki was rapidly losing its brakes, and rather than risk crashing they came in for brakes with 40 minutes remaining. That gave Hinshaw (who themselves were losing brakes and had shot tires) the break they needed to move into sixth overall, and second in class.

In the last hour, The Human Race Team added one more lap to their lead and finished with a record 658.8 miles, averaging 82.35 mph.

"We've heard that some people figure we're out of the picture for the championship, but we're not so sure," said a rejuvenated Human Race Team Captain Dave Zupan. "We'll be racing to win the championship until the final race." CN

Results

O/A: 1. The Human Race Team (Yam); 2. Hall 'N Still Racing (Suz); 3. Team Dreaded (Yam); 4. Honda of Niles Force Racing (Hon); 5. Motion Systems Racing (Hon); 6. Hinshaw Racing (Hon); 7. Royale Racing (Suz); 8. Cycle Speed Racing (Yam); 9. Darotune Racing Ottawa (Suz); 10. Team Swine Dudes (Suz); 11. RKN Racing (Yam); 12. Hammer-Smith Racing (Yam); 13. Sam Speed Racing (Yam); 14. Voight Bros. Racing (Yam); 15. Team Spirit (Suz); 16. Team S-EX (Kaw); 17. Team Machine (Yam); 18. Deals Gap Racing (Yam); 19. TBA (Suz); 20. RPM Racing (Yam); 21. T-Storm Racing (Suz); 22. Raw Racing (Yam); 23. Mid-South Racing II (Suz); 24. Soul Desire (Suz); 25. SOB Racing (Hon); 26. Mid-South Racing (Suz); 27. Choice Racing (Suz); 28. Action Suzuki Racing (Suz); 29. American Spirit (Yam).

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Ten thousand miles on a pair of PCs

By Chuck Clayton
Photos by Brian Catterson, Sharon Clayton and Jack Mangus

Praises and raises to the designers of the 1990 Honda PeeCees! If this road test reads more like a valentine, it is because I have never been more impressed with any two-wheeler. Even the horn is acceptable.

To do it right, we requested two of the candy-apple red and silver bikes that Honda's marketing wizards call "the Pacific Coast" and that everyone else refers to as "the PC." The plan was to ride to the opening of the AMA Heritage Museum in Ohio, solo, like the couple in the Geritol commercial — a pair of senior bikers on identical machines. Almost identical; mine has the taller windshield, upper spoiler, and bra. Sharon's is the standard model. Both bikes have backrests. The Honda people kindly installed radios to complete our entertainment on the road.

My wife loves both her comfort and independence. It takes a bike like the PC to persuade her to tackle a 5000 mile tour, her first road ride at the controls in what, 20 years?

Most impressive is the PC styling. This is the first bike designed with a built-in trunk, which made a great difference in our trip. Moving in and out of motels every day was a much pleasanter experience without the hassle of saddlebag lids and latches. You just pull the remote latch lever and the whole rear pops open like a hippo's mouth. In goes your luggage or your groceries (up to 20 pounds on each side) or your helmets or whatever. The trunks latch securely and waterproof with a light push and there we are, ready for a month on the road.

The PC styling defines the decade of the 1990s. Sculptured out of that ideal outdoor material, plastic, its form announces its function — to ride. Not to fiddle with. I don't have to see the engine and the plumbing to know it's a motorcycle. In the whole trip I never even needed to check the oil (though I did once, to make sure).

If you must know, the engine is a liquid cooled, 800cc V-twin. You feel its throb and hear its song with satisfaction. That's all I need.

We barely noticed the absence of some gauges and switches of 10 years ago. Gone are the electric meter and light switch. There is no fuel tap to fool with. There are dial gauges to tell you the coolant temperature and fuel level, a 130 mph speedometer and a tachometer that redlines at 7500 rpm. Bars of light indicate high beams (blue), oil pressure (red), sidestand extended (yellow) and neutral (green).

A smart circuit shuts off the motor if you forget and puts it in gear with the sidestand down. The hydraulic clutch never needs adjusting. Dual discs brake the front wheel and a simple drum stop the rear. Tubeless Dunlop tires resist wear and give great reassurance on all kinds of road surfaces. Our tires look like they could go another 10,000 miles.

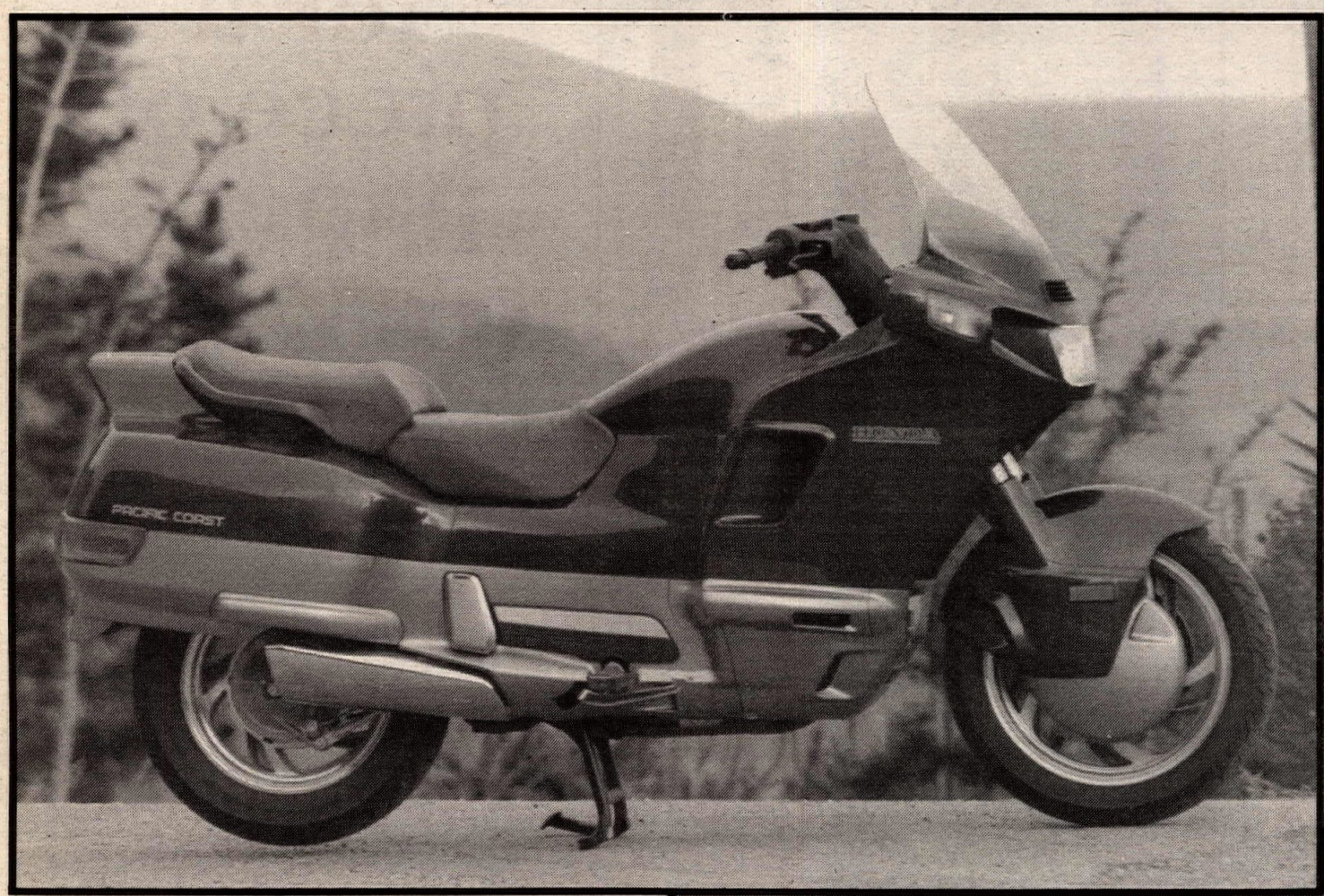
We cannot praise the PC seat enough. It may not look it, but it is the most comfortable standard seat on a motorcycle. After 5300 miles of steady riding, I still have positions I haven't used. The handlebar setup was perfect for me, but Sharon would have liked hers adjusted about one inch closer, which is not possible to do without major work.

Alas, the 1990 PCs are not perfect. I think they should be lowered by one inch. A PC has more road clearance than it really needs, and if it were an inch closer to the ground, shorter legged riders would love it. Also, though it only weighs 600 pounds, it is a two-person job to raise it back up if you ever drop it. Lowering it on the suspension ought to make it easier to lift back on its wheels. The bars should be adjustable aft for people with shorter arms.

Out on the road, these quibbles seem insignificant. The PC delivers the smoothest ride this side of a Rolls. There is zero drive train slack and enough power to win a race with a cyclone. There were times, harsh weather, fatigue, medical problems, when we would have gladly aborted this trip and rented a Ryder van the rest of the way, had it not been for the elegance and competence of these new PCs. We'd have been embarrassed to quit with both bikes so willing and ready to run.

Sharon's worst nightmare is cross wind. The solid-faired PCs are sensitive to side winds. Fifty-mile-an-hour gusts across the Great Salt Lake demanded real work to stay in your lane. Speeding 18-wheelers could actually push your PC off line with the pressure of their passing. There, the rear spoiler and the taller windshield of my PC really worked. They plant that motorcycle firmly on the road, while her standard PC feels more skittish by comparison, though they are the same bike.

I enjoyed the radio especially on the wide open spaces. Kenwood makes them, and they pull in weak, distant FM stations that I like: The classical and jazz stations at the low end of the dial. Here again, controls are basic; just flick the switch without looking away from the road, and the radio tunes in the next station. Wearing an



(Above) The 1990 Honda Pacific Coast is known mostly for its unique styling. (Right) We rode the two PCs from California to the opening of the AMA Motorcycle Heritage Museum in Ohio. The two bikes were identical except for the lead bike, which featured a taller windshield, upper spoiler and bra.

open-face helmet, I can hear it fine behind the tall windscreen up to 70 mph. The speakers in the fairing play loud enough without distortion.

Gasoline prices were raised 25 percent during our month on the road, which might have wrecked the budget if we were driving the motorhome. But the PCs deliver 50 miles to the gallon and carry 4.2 gallons in the tank. "Oh, a $1.41 today, hey? No problem. Six gallons, please!" There is no reserve, so we cautiously refueled every 150 miles or so.

Fifth gear on the PC pulls a solo rider smoothly from 40 miles an hour to over 100. The only time we had to downshift to fourth on the road was climbing a steep mountain against a headwind on the Lincoln Highway in Wyoming. Our usual rate of travel is 65-70 mph, but the PCs run smooth at any speed.

The carburetion is set so the bikes run just as well 8900 feet high in the Rocky Mountains as they do on the coast.

It's a wonder that the PC hasn't found many customers, yet. I wonder if American Honda Motor Co. knows what it's got here. For the price of a 1500cc Gold Wing, you can have two PCs and a month on the road. One dealer employee from Charlotte, North Carolina, says he sold 15 PCs by pricing leftover 1989 models at three per Gold Wing.

List price and the localized name seem to be holding back current model sales. Recently reduced to $6498, the 1990 PC800 model is a good value, though the lettered "Pacific Coast" on both sides of the trunk is a turnoff unless you live in one of the states where it applies. So call it a PC ("Personal Cycle") and get used to the Star Wars-plus-America-scooter styling.

If you are not too interested in winning canyon races and just want a real good bike, consider the PC800 by Honda. It is the best motorcycle we ever rode. CN

The Pacific Coast is the first motorcycle designed with a built-in trunk, a feature that comes in handy for carrying groceries.

Accessories	
AM/FM Radio	$549.95
Front Nose Mask	$49.95
Upper Spoiler	$159.95
Lower Spoiler	$162.95
Tall Windshield	$184.95
Back Rest	$134.95

Accessories for the road

By Chuck Clayton

One thing that distinguishes motorcycle riding from other forms of transportation is that you have to dress for it. You want to look good and feel good, so the best place to shop is your motorcycle dealer.

I picked out a Bell Mag open-face helmet. Bell still makes the best looking helmet, in my opinion. I was surprised to learn that my head has grown in the years since I last bought a helmet (my critics would not be surprised). Apparently this is a function of advancing age. Some people's hat sizes increase as they get older. The Mag felt heavy, but not uncomfortable. It weighs 2.5 pounds.

I wear a helmet not so much for safety, but because I like what a helmet does for me. It's just the best way of dressing for a motorcycle ride. It holds my remaining hair in place better than a bandana and provides a perch for my goggles. Also it keeps the sun from broiling my brain and it looks good on me. There are times when any helmet gets uncomfortable, but I would not like to be caught dead without one, after all my years battling helmet laws.

Sharon chose the Bell Sport full-face, which was also good looking, comfortable and heavy (3 lbs.). She says it needs more side vision. Her eye shield was poorly fastened, we discovered well into the trip. Something a little Loc-Tite and attention by a dealer could have cured, but we struggled with temporary fixes instead of dealing with it properly. One vent cover fell off of each of our helmets. Fortunately, Bell backs up its products with good service.

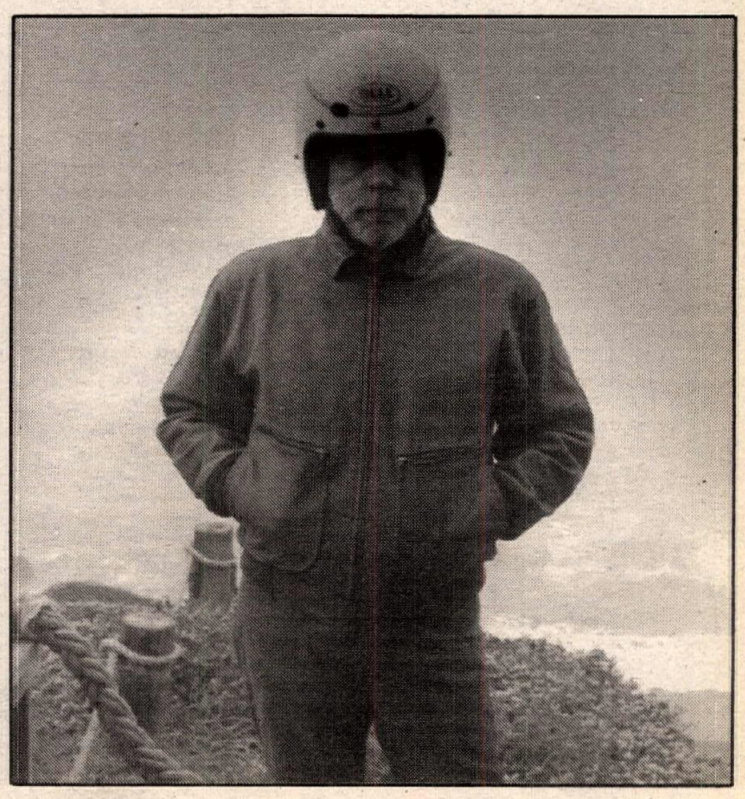
For a jacket, I was lucky to get a Hein Gericke Ace Bomber brown hide jacket from Intersport Fashions West, Inc. This is a new design that fits the senior rider very well. It is the classic B-24 jacket redesigned by motorcyclists. Warm, comfortable and rugged, it compressed neatly in the PC's trunk when the day warmed up. It features four zippered pockets and a place for your hands when you want to look casual. The lining is a map of wartime France, I guess in case you ever bail out over Europe. Why not a map of the U.S., Intersport? Anyway, check the beauty of this jacket on you at your motorcycle dealer. Intersport guarantees the quality, which is high quality indeed.

Little things that make a motorcycle trip more pleasant:

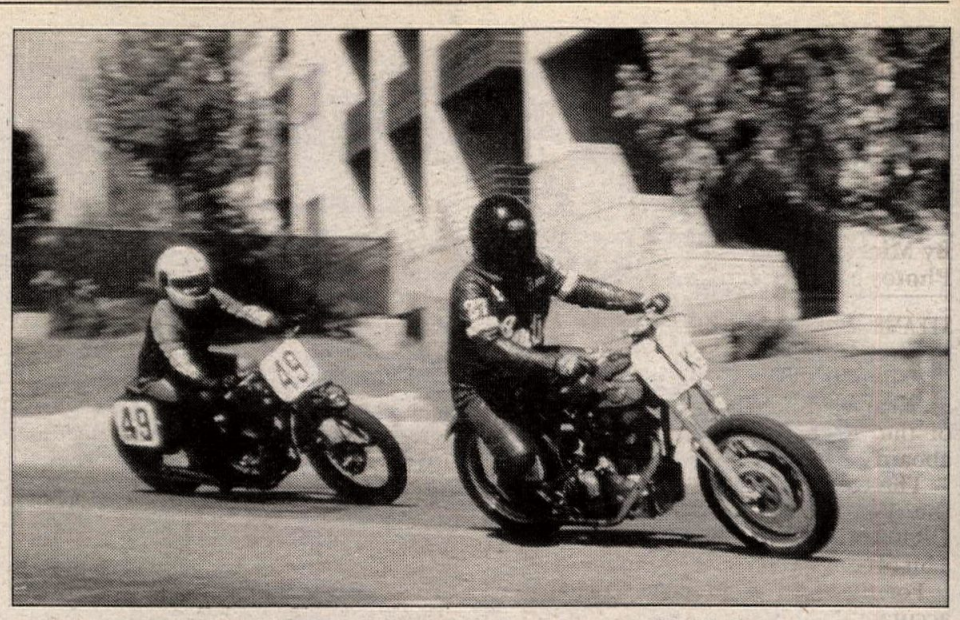
Sharon likes her *Cycle News* **fanny pack,** which holds wallet, smokes, cosmetics and like that. Chuck values this nutcracker-shaped **cruise control,** but lets Sharon use it because his PC doesn't really need one. **Sun Block** lotion prevents painful sunburn. One application lasts all day. **Crabtree & Evelyn foaming bath oil** for a refreshing touch of luxury after a long riding day. **Ice cooler and water bottle** can be a life-saver on days with temperatures in the triple digits, and provide cold refreshments at rest stops. **Mink-oiled boots** repel rain and keep your feet dry. Hondaline two-piece **rain suits** go on over clothing and really keep the wet out, while providing a sauna. A hideable hood can be deployed to drain the rain off your head. With these suits and boots, we learned to love riding in the rain. CN

(Below left) Our necessities for the road included a cooler and water bottle, sun block, and a nutcracker-shaped cruise control. (Below right) Our two Bell helmets.

Other accessories that made the trip more pleasant were our two-piece Hondaline rain suits (left) and my Hein Gericke Ace Bomber leather jacket.



The "race track" at Steamboat Springs runs through the public streets of the famous Colorado ski resort town.



Norton rider Beno Rodi (1K) leads Indian-mounted Butch Baer (49) in the Pre-40 class. Baer finished second with Rodi fourth.

Flory, Moroney duel in Steamboat Springs streets

By David Lucas

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, CO, SEPT. 15

The riders of the American Historic Racing Motorcycle Association (AHRMA) Historic Cup Road Race Series came west across the Great Plains from Topeka, Kansas, for the final round of the series in one of Colorado's most scenic vacation spots, Steamboat Springs.

It was England against Germany with some Italian emigrants thrown in, while the American "H BAR D" brand tried to fend them all off in a Western-style shoot-out in the streets.

Dave Roper had several of his classes rounded up and tied when he pulled into town from the previous round of the series at Heartland Park Topeka. The Team Obsolete/Bell/Lou's Leathers/Castrol-sponsored rider on his 1959 Matchless G50 has been almost matchless in his performances since the season opener at Daytona Beach, Florida. A challenge for honor was mounted by Thomas Marquardt in the Premier 500 class, but Marquardt's '62 Honda CB77 had been mathematically eliminated the previous weekend when mechanical gremlins prevented him from making a serious run at Roper's grip on the top position.

Saturday's Premier 500 race was a reflection of the spirit of vintage road racing. The class title was already decided, but by the time the checkered flag closed the season, two riders had demonstrated that 1991 may add another verse. The '67 Aermacchi/Harley-Davidson of Craig McLean and the West Coast British Racing '68 Ducati of Mike Green had come from the second and third rows of the grid, respectively, to finish in those positions. Green's size and expertise with the Ducati powerplant make him a factor in any class he enters; his stable of Ducatis brought him home in first place in the 200cc GP, 250cc GP and 500cc Sportsman categories.

Roper's win in the 350cc GP race may have come under serious threat from the spirited riding of McLean had the northern Californian not run out of laps. The front row consisted of pole-sitter Roper, with Marquardt, the '68 Ducati Desmo of Don Fromm and McLean on the outside. By the end of the first lap, Roper held a commanding 13-second lead over a battling trio composed of the remainder of the front row. Lap three found a hungry McLean gobbling up the distance to Roper, but he was left with too much gound to cover and not enough time to cover it in.

Eron Flory and his '72 BMW R75/5 had wrapped up the 750cc Sportsman class Championship prior to their arrival in Colorado, in spite of an admirable effort on the part of Michael Eiland and his '73 Yamaha XS650. The mile-high elevation of Steamboat Springs must have suited the BMWs, for the German horizontally opposed twins decimated the 750cc Sportsman class. Eron Flory led a BMW parade that after some struggle settled down into Flory leading Randy Bradesku and Greg Frazier, all similarly mounted.

Flory's BMW displays the sort of performance that has been a season-long amazement to his fellow competitors. Add this to his considerable skill as a rider and a potential headache exists for Pat Moroney in the 750cc GP class. The point difference between them was only 652 points coming into the final round (a win is worth 1000 points in AHRMA competition), and any miscue on Moroney's part would result in a new class champion — a very unpleasant prospect for the Team Obsolete rider.

The grid resembled a BMW sandwich between two slices of Harley-Davidson — Moroney's Team Obsolete/RK Chain/Spectro/Avon/Bell/Moroney's H-D XR750 to Flory's left, another XR750 ridden by Eiland to Flory's right. The squeeze continued through the first two turns, with the straight toward turn three allowing Flory to position himself for an attack on first place. By the close of the lap, Flory had the challenge in hand, but a determined Moroney made the remaining four laps a war. The battle was won in convincing manner as Flory crossed the finish line in first place. Moroney's second-place finish guaranteed the 1990 750cc GP Championship was his.

The race was a treat to the spectators and many found the speed of Flory's BMW difficult to believe. Moroney was more than incredulous — he wanted a peek inside the heart of Flory's bike and a protest was lodged. Post-race disassembly established that Flory was indeed legal. Flory then revealed that his "race bike" was obtained for $200 and a trade-out of work for its former owner.

"Two weeks after I bought it I started racing it with the help of CC Products (an aftermarket BMW parts supplier) and raced every race after that," Flory said, adding that a trailer provided by Russ Carpet Cleaners and Metzeler Tire contingencies have made it possible for him to do the entire season competitively. "I will continue to race this current bike next year, but we're also considering putting together a 1000cc bike to campaign as well," he concluded.

The Classic Sixties class saw a new champion after Tim Stanchill's BSA Gold Star was followed across the line by Bob Bulmer's BSA B34 and Beno Rodi on another Gold Star. If Rodi had pulled off a second-place finish he would have earned the class championship. However, Rodi's second-place finish in Class C was sufficient to maintain his championship in that division.

The Pre-1940 class provides more than a nostalgic glimpse at the early days of motorcycling as the action is just as heated among these grandfathers of today's motorcycles. Today's race was no exception, as Rodi's race to retain his number one position in the class was lost through the fine riding of Ozzie Auer on his '39 BMW R51. Rodi's Norton Manx was beset by mechanical ills and and the hard-charging of Butch Baer on his '26 Indian Scout and a determined Al Knapp on his '40 H-D. The final finishing positions put Auer, Baer and Knapp in the top-three championship positions.

Not only do these men ride machines that represent a significant segment of American motorcycling history, but all of them have individually played a role in contributing to that history. CN

Results

500 PREM: 1. Dave Roper (Mat); 2. Craig McLean (H-D); 3. Mike Green (Duc); 4. John Scott (Tri); 5. Craig Breckow (BSA).

750 GP: 1. Eron Flory (BMW); 2. Pat Moroney (H-D); 3. Dave Walden (Tri); 4. Mike Eiland (Yam); 5. Greg Frazier (BMW).

750 SPTSMN: 1. Eron Flory (BMW); 2. Randy Bradesku (BMW); 3. Greg Frazier (BMW); 4. Ely Schless (BMW); 5. Dave Cromer (BMW).

350 GP: 1. Dave Roper (AJS); 2. Craig McLean (H-D); 3. Tom Marquardt (Hon); 4. Bill Anderson (H-D); 5. Scott Borem (Duc).

250 GP: 1. Mike Green (Duc); 2. Barry Messenger (Mon); 3. Charles Sexton (Bul); 4. John Macomber (Duc); 5. John Conwan (Duc).

200 GP: 1. Mike Green (Duc); 2. Byron Bland (Hon); 3. Mark Hallock (Hon); 4. Paul Higgins (Hon); 5. Robert Shudick (Duc).

2-STRK GP: 1. Jerry Casciero (Yam); 2. Charles Sexton (Bul); 3. John Louck (JML); 4. John Turner (Suz); 5. John Hjelm (Hod).

CLSSC 60s: 1. Tim Stancill (BSA): 2. Bob Bulmer (BSA); 3. Beno Rodi (BSA); 4. Jim Holbrook (Mat).

CL C: 1. Norm Nelson (BSA); 2. Beno Rodi (R-E); 3. Fred Mork (Nor); 4. Butch Baer (Ind); 5. Ozzi Auer (BMW).

PRE-40: 1. Ozzie Auer (BMW): 2. Butch Baer (Ind); 3. Al Knapp (H-D); 4. Beno Rodi (Nor); 5. Greg Frazier (Ind).

AHRMA Historic Cup MX Series: Round 3

Kirkbride doubles at Steamboat Springs

By Mickey Wood
Photos by Mike Larson

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, CO, SEPT. 14

Rod Kirkbride pulled off the first double win of his vintage MX career this weekend with a sweep of the 125cc and Vet Novice classes aboard a Honda CR125 Elsinore.

The Californian split moto wins in the Vet division with Husqvarna CR400 pilot Jud Oshier, and overcame a bit of controversy in topping the 125s.

For the sixth year, the historically-accurate, 1.2-mile course was laid out in a field which is used for growing hay most of the year. This time around, though, host club Timberline Trail-riders threw in a quartet of ditch crossings to make things interesting on the otherwise featureless hillside. Temperatures in the mid-90s and persistent winds combined to dry the soil, and with a total of 36 motos on the day, dust became quite a problem. This event was round three of the American Historic Racing Motorcycle Association's (AHRMA) National MX Series, and also paid points toward the AHRMA Western Region Championship. Over 260 riders from 13 states and England made up the show.

The controversy in the 125cc Novice class occurred at the starting gate, when half of the riders left on the first gate with the Amateurs, and the other half stayed behind for a separate start. The race was run, and a protest later filed.

Moto two went much more smoothly, and Kirkbride crossed the line first aboard his Speed & Sport-backed Elsinore, and took home the day's overall victory. Rickman/Zundapp rider Rodger Cook and Jeff Elings made it a 1-2-3 sweep for Californians.

Kirkbride followed Oshier home in the first Vet Novice moto, while Robert Norman came in third. The second race, though, had Kirkbride's little machine screaming ahead of the pack, and he earned the overall in front of Oshier. Britalia Motors' John McCoy was third, but his first-moto fifth was only good enough for fourth overall behind Norman.

The Vet and Old Timer Amateur classes were so large that they were forced to be divided into two divisions each, and the gates were still full! Vet Amateur Division 1 was dominated by Maicos, as the Red Rooster M.C.'s Marty Lukaszewski posted a 2-1 finish to edge Vintage Iron-backed Greg Owen's 3-1 and Robert Doran's 2-4; Bill Patton on a fourth Maico trailed.

Local rider Steve Linquist on yet another German machine was the class of Vet Amateur Division 2, while Connecticut's Lloyd Patterson finished in the runner-up spot aboard a CCM.

Tom Mabry put his 1971 CZ 400 at the top of the Old Timer Division 1 heap, while Doyle Cook rode a BSA-powered Rickman to second. The top O.T. Division 2 award went to Speed & Sport CZ-mounted Terry Pratt, who was seriously challenged by Wayne Sumner on a BSA during each outing. Mike Beanway brought out a new (for him) Greeves 380 Griffon, and left the resort town with third overall.

Sumner came back to top the 10-rider Premier 500cc Amateur division aboard a BSA Gold Star. Perennial victor John Huegel was second overall on an Indian, while first-moto winner John Ford was third, riding a BSA-framed Velocette. Team 25 Travel's Matt Hilgenberg won the Premier 500cc Expert class.

The Vet Expert class is usually tough, but this time it was brutal. Local Pro Shawn Smith jammed to the front of both motos, and was never headed. Duane Joice on a Yamaha turned his 2-3 finishes into a second-place trophy ahead of Gary Jump and first-year Expert Kelly Owen, riding a Vintage Iron CZ. Off-road racer extraordinaire Larry Roeseler entered, but could only manage a 14-2 after crashing in the first moto and having difficulty getting his CZ restarted.

Enduro hero Fritz Kadlec also raced at Steamboat, finishing fifth in the 125cc Experts aboard an obviously inferior Sachs 125. Shawn Smith nabbed the win here, too, ahead of Vintage Iron's Rick "Hollywood" Doughty.

Smith made it a triple by smoking the 250cc Experts. Montesa-mounted John Handelin was second, trailed by Ron Dinapoli. CN

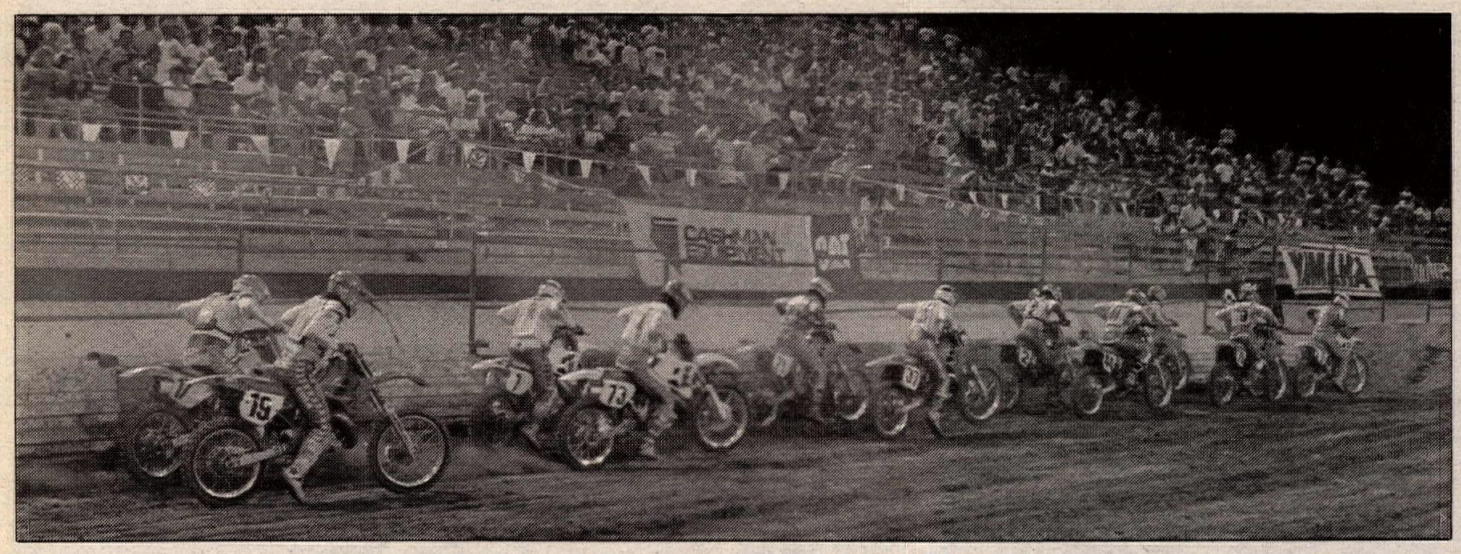
Greg Grouleff (58X) rode his Honda Elsinore to the 125cc Amateur class win at the Steamboat Springs vintage MX.

Bill Ripley (48) manhandled his big Triumph over the dusty course to win the Open Twin Amateur class.

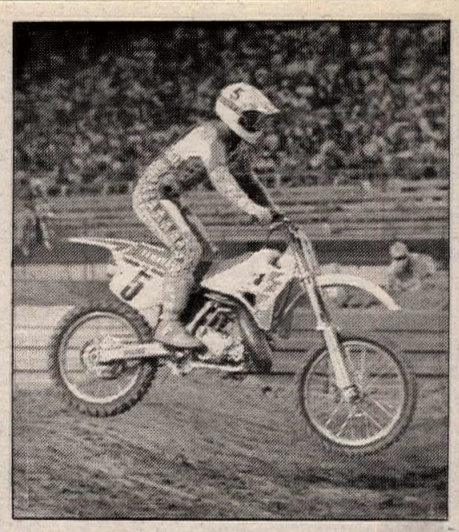
Results

125 NOV: 1. Rod Kirkbride (Hon); 2. Rodger Cook (Ric); 3. Jeff Elings (Hon).
125 AM: 1. Greg Grouleff (Hon); 2. Jack Thompson (Pen); 3. David Barnhizer (Hon); 4. John Hjelm (Sac); 5. James Berkstresser (Hon).
125 EX: 1. Shawn Smith (Hon); 2. Rick Doughty (Hon); 3. Norm Bigelow (Kaw); 4. Paul Burnett (Hon); 5. Fritz Kadlec (Sac).
250 NOV: 1. Rodger Cook (Ric); 2. George Golling (CZ); 3. John McCoy (Hus); 4. Jeff Elings (Hon); 5. Mike Larson (Hon).
250 AM: 1. Steve Linquist (Mai); 2. Brad Waterland (Hon); 3. George Villanzi (Yam); 4. Steve Sage (Yam); 5. Rick Oestricher (Hon).
250 EX: 1. Shawn Smith (Hon); 2. John Handelin (Mon); 3. Ron Dinapoli (Hon); 4. Joe Busby (CZ); 5. John Worden (Bul).
500 NOV: 1. Norm Nelson (BSA); 2. Steve Rapp (Yam); 3. John McCoy (Hus); 4. Bill Rianda (CZ); 5. Tom Van Stelle (Duc).
500 AM: 1. Marty Lukaszewski (Mai); 2. Lloyd Patterson (CCM); 3. Craig Raygor (Mai); 4. Rick Fisher (BSA); 5. Mike Hance (CZ).
500 EX: 1. Duane Joice (Yam); 2. Gary Tucker (Hus); 3. Kelly Owen (CZ); 4. Rick Doughty (Yam); 5. Gary Jump (Hus).
OPEN TWIN NOV: 1. Bill Rianda (Tri); 2. James McEwin (Tri).
OPEN TWIN AM: 1. Bill Ripley (Tri); 2. David Dewoina (Ric); 3. Rob Stickler (Ric-Tri).
OPEN TWIN EX: 1. Ron Dinapoli (Tri).
WMN: 1. Heather Larson (CZ); 2. Jann Nesshoeffer (Bul); 3. Ginger Hilgenberg (Bul); 4. Debra Willis (Hon); 5. Barb Gempler (Suz).
VET NOV: 1. Rod Kirkbride (Hon); 2. Jud Oshier (Hus); 3. Robert Norman (Hon); 4. John McCoy (Hus); 5. George Golling (CZ).
VET AM DIV 1: 1. Marty Lukaszewski (Mai); 2. Greg Owen (Mai); 3. Robert Doran (Mai); 4. Bill Patton (Mai); 5. Mike Atkins (BSA).
VET AM DIV 2: 1. Steve Linquist (Mai); 2. Lloyd Patterson (CCM); 3. George Villanzi (Yam); 4. Craig Raynor (Mai); 5. Brad Waterland (Hon).
VET EX: 1. Shawn Smith (Hon); 2. Duane Joice (Yam); 3. Gary Jump (Hus); 4. Kelly Owen (CZ); 5. Tom Mitas (CZ).
OT NOV: 1. Al Behmer (Kaw); 2. Virgil Elings (Hon); 3. Bill Rianda (CZ); 4. Norm Nelson (BSA); 5. Al Hesshoeffer (Bul).
OT AM DIV 1: 1. Tom Mabry (CZ); 2. Doyle Cook (Ric); 3. Dave Roper (Hus); 4. Ron Clawson (Mai); 5. Phil Hanford (BSA).
OT AM DIV 2: 1. Terry Pratt (CZ); 2. Wayne Sumner (BSA); 3. Mike Beanway (Gre); 4. N/A; 5. Jim Keeton (CZ).
OT EX: 1. JIm McClinton (CCM); 2. John Sawazhki (Bul); 3. Mike Menesini (CZ); 4. Randy Hanson (Hus); 5. Tim Oler (Mon).
PREM L/W NOV: 1. Bill Anderson (H-D); 2. Phil Anderson (Mai).
PREM L/W AM: 1. Peter Cruttenden (BSA); 2. Van Walbridge (Tri); 3. Michael Green (BSA).
PREM L/W EX: 1. Peter Ford (Gre).
PREM L/W 2 NOV: 1. John McCoy (Hus).
PREM L/W 2 AM: 1. Greg Owen (Ossa); 2. Mike Beanway (Gre); 3. Rick Nabers (CZ); 4. Peter Cruttenden (BSA); 5. Jerry Sibley (CZ).
PREM L/W 2 EX: 1. Dick Mann (BSA); 2. Matt Hilgenberg (Bul); 3. Peter Ford (Gre).
PREM 500 AM: 1. Wayne Sumner (BSA); 2. John Huegel (Ind); 3. John Ford (Vel); 4. Fred Mork (ESO); 5. James Willis (Ari).
PREM 500 EX: 1. Matt Hilgenberg (Ric-Tri); 2. Peter Ford (BSA); 3. Adrian Moss (Tri-BSA).
PREM OPEN TW NOV: 1. Marsh Runyon (H-D).
PREM OPEN TW AM: 1. Jim Sprafke (BSA); 2. Gerald Rogers (AJS).
PREM OPEN TW EX: 1. John Sawazhki (Ric-Tri); 2. Beno Rodi (Nor).

ULTRACROSS Mickey Thompson Off-Road Championship GP Series: Round 8



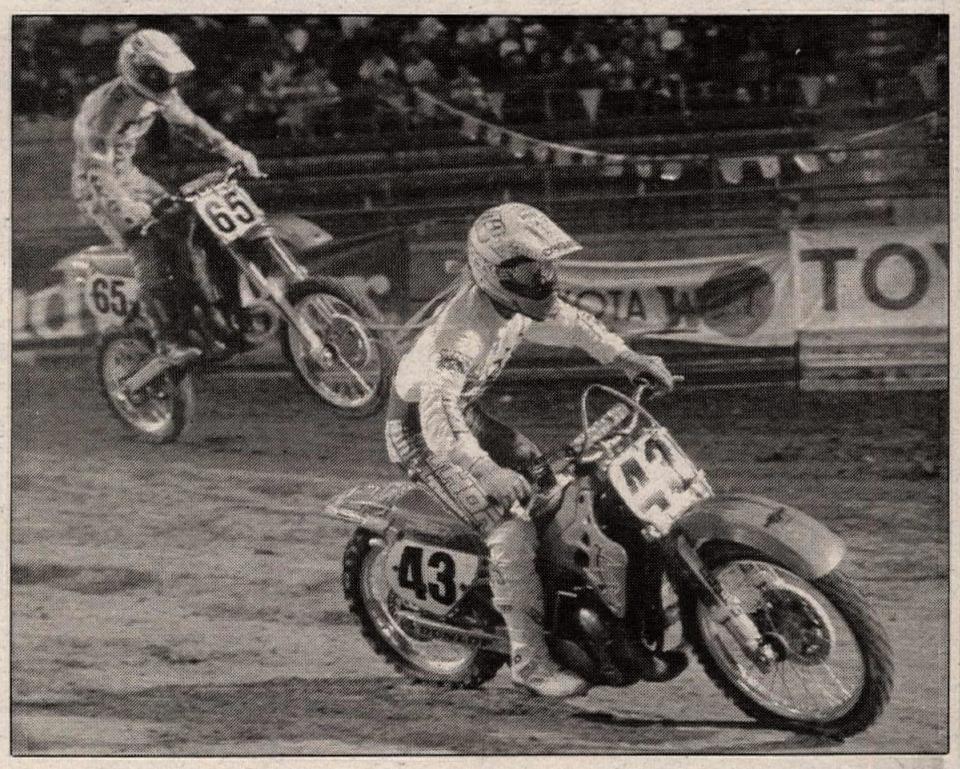
The inverted starting system saw Tallon Vohland (2) race from the third row to win the Silverbowl Ultracross main event.



Lowell Thomson placed second overall after leading the main for two laps.

Vohland (2) led all but two laps in the 10-lap final and collected $668 out of the $5000 purse. It was only his second Ultracross race of the year.

Mike Craig (43) passed Richard Saxton (65) and clinched the series championship. Craig placed third after Kyle Lewis and Jeremy McGrath were disqualified.



Vohland lights up Las Vegas

By Ken Faught

LAS VEGAS, NV, SEPT. 15

Eighteen-year-old Tallon Vohland repeated last year's 250cc Ultracross win at the Sam Boyd Silverbowl, leading all but two laps of the 10-lap final to collect the $668 winner's share of the $5000 purse. For Vohland, it was the first time since the season opener in Anaheim, California, that he's raced an MTEG Championship Gran Prix event, which features off-road cars, trucks, buggies, ATVs and motorcycles.

Jeremy McGrath and Kyle Lewis chased Vohland across the finish line but were later disqualifed for missing the post-race tech inspection shortly after the final. That opened the door for Lowell Thomson and Mike Craig to complete the top three, but more importantly gave Craig enough points to wrap up the series championship with two rounds remaining.

Instead of a usual timed qualifying session, the 31 entrants were split into a pair of two-row heat races. Riders drew numbers as to which row of which heat they were to start on. The top 10 riders from each of the two heat races would transfer to the main.

Riders would then start the main event in inverted order with the heat race winners starting on the sixth of 10, two-man rows, making the high-paced racing exciting for the 24,863 spectators. Double passing points would also be awarded in the main.

Las Vegas' own Kerry Mulligan started the heat race action by coming off the front row to lead Ray Crumb, Vohland, Jim Holley, Tiger Garcia and McGrath. Mulligan's lead, however, was cut short when Vohland shot into the point position.

Vohland and Mulligan diced for two laps while McGrath cut his way through the field. By the end of the second lap McGrath was third ahead of Holley, and pressuring the lead pair.

On lap four McGrath found himself in the lead with Mulligan and Holley trailing as Vohland slipped back to fourth ahead of Crumb.

"I made a few mistakes and was using bad lines," Vohland said. "I let a guy by to check his lines and then another guy got me. Then I fell."

While Vohland restarted in fifth, McGrath cruised to the easy win over Mulligan, Holley and Crumb.

Craig came off row one at the start of the second heat race to lead Mike Young, Thomson, Lewis and Randy Moody. Thomson dropped off the pace, allowing Lewis to chase the lead pair before dropping Young to second.

Meanwhile Larry Brooks worked his way up from a mediocre second-row start to finish fourth.

"I ran into lappers and wasn't riding well," Brooks said. "I should have ridden more aggressively."

As Craig easily collected the checkers ahead of Lewis and Young, Moody managed to hold off a challenge from Thomson.

It wasn't much of a suprise when Thomson led the main event after starting from the front row. He shot out front and remained there for two laps until Vohland displaced him and stretched out a comfortable lead.

Meanwhile, defending Ultracross champ Holley was in the back of the pack trying to make up for his poor start.

As Thomson slowly faded, Lewis and McGrath pounded their way toward the front and they moved into the second and third spots as Thomson held off charges from Brooks and Craig at the finish to fourth.

"I wasn't doing the triples and they (Lewis and McGrath) got by," Thomson said. "It was my first time on the '91 (Yamaha) and I wasn't used to it."

Shortly after the race both Lewis and McGrath were disqualified for missing the post-race tech inspection.

"Whoever got fourth, got lucky," Lewis said.

"I came off the track and there was no one to direct us to tech," McGrath said. "My mind was racing and I wanted to go back into the stadium and watch the sport truck main."

With Lewis and McGrath knocked to 19th and 20th in the finishing order, Thomson was handed second in front of Craig.

"I think it's great," said Thomson, who was bumped up to second thanks to the disqualifications. "They (MTEG) did it to me last year when I forgot to take my bike (to post-tech)."

"There were only a couple of good guys, but they got to start up front," Craig said. "There's just not enough time in these short races to work your way through the field. What's most important, though, is I clinched the title. Even with the way that they (MTEG) hand out passing points, it's impossible for Holley to catch me right now." CN

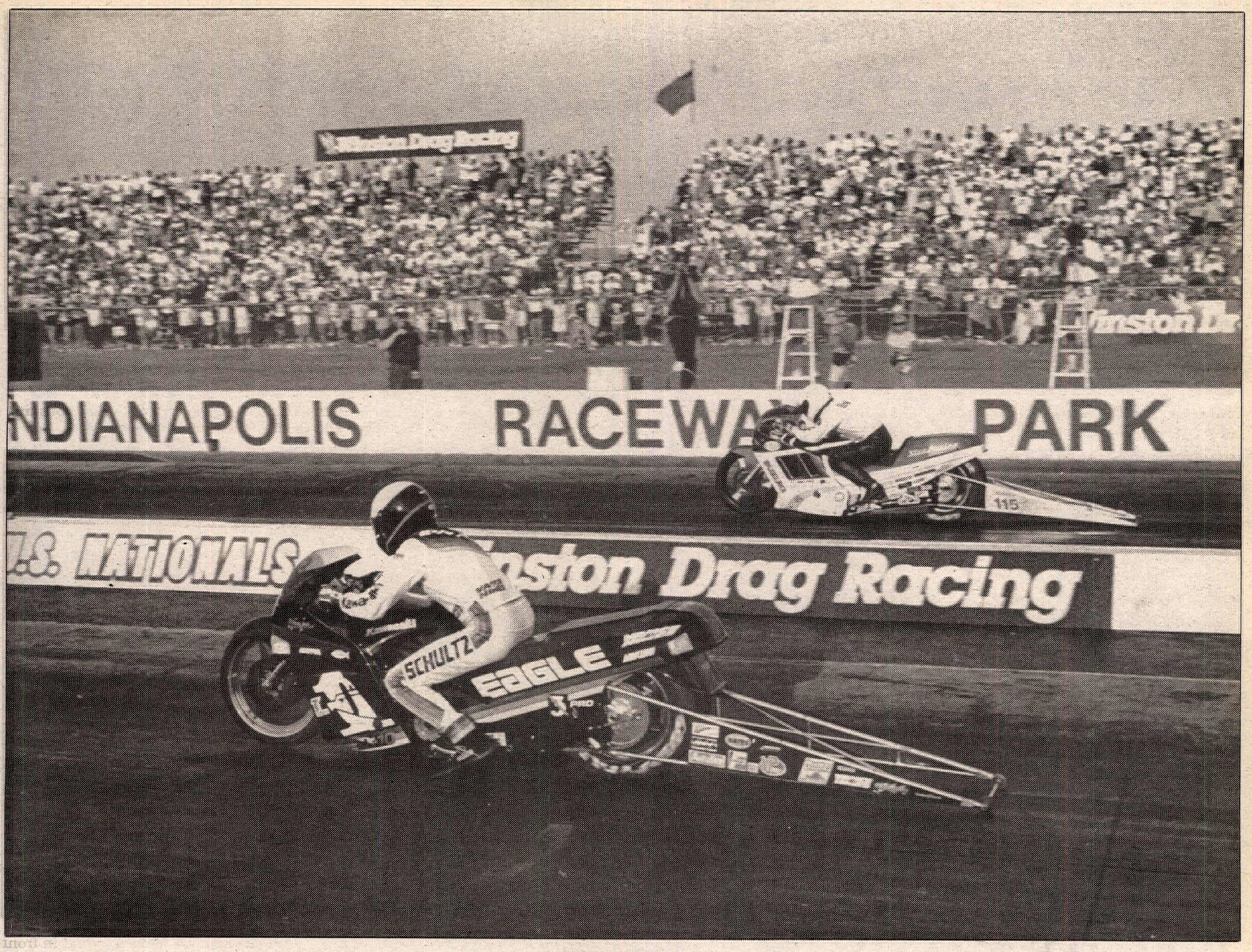
Results

HEAT 1: Jeremy McGrath (Kaw); 2. Kerry Mulligan (Suz); 3. Jim Holley (Yam); 4. Ray Crumb (Kaw); 5. Tallon Vohland (Kaw); 6. Shane Trittler (Kaw); 7. Richard Saxton (Kaw); 8. Tracy Monterone (Yam); 9. Damon Kemp (Suz); 10. Tiger Garcia (Hon) 11. Jeffrey Nordstrom (Kaw); 12. Dan Fresh (Yam); 13. Joey Lane (Kaw); 14. Curtis Caparrella (Hon); 15. Don Rice (Hon).

HEAT 2: Mike Craig (Kaw); 2. Kyle Lewis (Kaw); 3. Mike Young (Yam); 4. Larry Brooks (Kaw); 5. Randy Moody (Kaw); 6. Derek Natvig (Kaw); 7. Lowell Thomson (Yam); 8. Butch Smith (Yam); 9. Duane Benner (Yam); 10. Mike Ulrich (Hon); 11. Jay Athey (Suz); 12. Todd Cunningham (Suz); 13. John Arnott (Yam); 14. Mark Lange (Yam); 15. Jeffery Nlson (Kaw); 16. Ignacio Rivera Jr. (Hon).

MAIN: Tallon Vohland (Kaw); 2. Lowell Thomson (Yam); 3. Mike Craig (Kaw); 4. Larry Brooks (Kaw); 5. Randy Moody (Kaw); 6. Ray Crumb (Kaw); 7. Mike Young (Yam); 8. Derek Natvig (Kaw); 9. Tracy Monterone (Yam); 10. Kerry Mulligan (Suz); 11. Richard Saxton (Kaw); 12. Butch Smith (Yam); 13. Shane Trittler (Kaw); 14. Duane Benner (Yam); 15. Damon Demp (Suz); 16. Mike Ulrich (Hon); 17. Tiger Garcia (Hon); 18. Jim Holley (Yam); 19. Jeremy McGrath (Kaw); 20. Kyle Lewis (Kaw).

SERIES POINTS STANDINGS: Mike Craig (447); 2. Jim Holley (325); 3. Lowell Thomson (284); 4. Jeremy McGrath (244); 5. Chris Young (167); 6. Mike Young (120); 7. Larry Brooks (108); 8. Ryan Hughes (107); 9. Micky Dymond (89); 10. Scott Myers (79).



Winner Dave Schultz (near lane) and Jim Bernard went head-to-head at the NHRA Winston Championship U.S. National Drag Race at Indianapolis Raceway Park.

Schultz scores at Indy

By Todd Veney

INDIANAPOLIS, IN, SEPT. 1-3

Barring a minor miracle, David Schultz won't be winning the National Hot Rod Association's Pro Stock Championship in 1990, as he did in '87 and '88. When it became apparent just a few months into the season that the honor would go to John Myers, Schultz focused on winning the next best thing, a single event many racers consider as prestigious as the season-long NHRA Championship — the U.S. Nationals — which is to drag racing what Daytona is to road racing.

"People are already asking me if I still think I can win the championship this year," Schultz said disbelievingly minutes after his year-making victory at the Indianapolis Raceway Park, just six miles from the Indianapolis 500 track. "Hey, I just won the biggest drag race in the world. Forget the points."

The fiercely competitive racer has been overshadowed in the last two years by 1989 NHRA Champion "Pizza John" Mafaro and 1990 champion-elect Myers, winning just one race (the 1990 Southern Nationals) since he punctuated his '88 championship with a second consecutive U.S. National win.

Schultz was a man on a mission at Indy — in qualifying, in eliminations, and in the 80-hour work weeks leading up to the event. "I built a special motor just for this race and this track, and I made up to eight test runs a day," he said. "I'm here to win."

Schultz's painstaking preparation paid off right from the beginning at IRP. He rode the Vance & Hines Kawasaki-powered Eagle-1 ZX-10 to an off-the-trailer 7.86-second, 171.69 mph run, which gave him an early qualifying lead he never relinquished.

Myers, who had ridden '84 Indy winner George Bryce's Star Racing Suzuki GSXR to the number one qualifying position at eight consecutive National events dating to July 1989, was two-hundredths of a second behind with a 7.88/175.67 (the fastest speed of the event).

It took a seven-second run just to make the fast half of the 16-bike field, which was anchored by GSXR rider Tim Loomis' 8.14/161.20. Rookie Jim Bernard (No. 3, 7.91/170.97), Steve Meiterman (No. 4, 7.93/168.53), Mafaro (No.5, 7.94/169.39), Springnationals Champion Paul Gast (No. 6, 7.96/164.86), Steve Johnson (No. 7, 7.96/168.95), and Tim Goff (No. 8, 7.98/167.09) rounded out the fast half of the fastest field in history.

Schultz, in taking a one-sided first-round win over Loomis, spun the tire furiously on the oily mid-track portion of the quarter-mile, which limited his winning time to a 7.95/168.22. Loomis shut down to a coasting 10.58/120.41 when his Suzuki GSXR's transmission wouldn't engage properly.

After putting on a fresh tire, Schultz's Kawasaki responded by dropping back below 7.90 in his second-round 7.88/171.36 to 8.00/166.88 win over Paul Ayers. But his performance edge was gone.

For the first time all weekend, Myers re-assumed the dominant persona he adopted here a year ago when, as a rookie, he won the sport's biggest race in his first try. Myers maintained his 7.8-second qualifying pace in effortless preliminary-round decisions over Norm DeVine's Ninja (7.86/170.42) and Steve Johnson's Slick-50 backed Ninja ZX-7 (7.85/169.81).

Myers has been virtually unbeatable in the last 12 months because of his lightning-quick reactions to the "Christmas Tree" lights that signal the start of each race as much as for his bike's unrivaled power. But he was left at the starting line in the semi finals by one of his few reflex peers, Bernard, a rookie who has become one of the most feared riders in drag racing in just three NHRA outings.

Myers dumped the clutch just .079-second after the green light flashed, (anything under .100 is considered quick), but Bernard beat him out of the gate with an other worldly .016 reaction time. Myers made the quickest run of the event (to that point), a 7.853/172.51, but Bernard's .063-second head start allowed his 7.915/171.00 to cross the finish line first by the smallest possible margin: one thousandth of a second!

One minute later in the other semi final heat, Schultz reclaimed Low E.T. of the meet honors with a 7.83/174.89 thrashing of Meiterman, whose solid 7.98/167.62 was disqualified when he blasted off the line before getting the green.

Bernard got a small holeshot lead over Schultz in the nerve-wracking final before more than 50,000 fans, but he short-shifted the 1-2 and 4-5 shifts and Schultz sped by, earning perhaps the most gratifying victory of his career with the fastest run of the three-day event, a 7.82/169.26. CN

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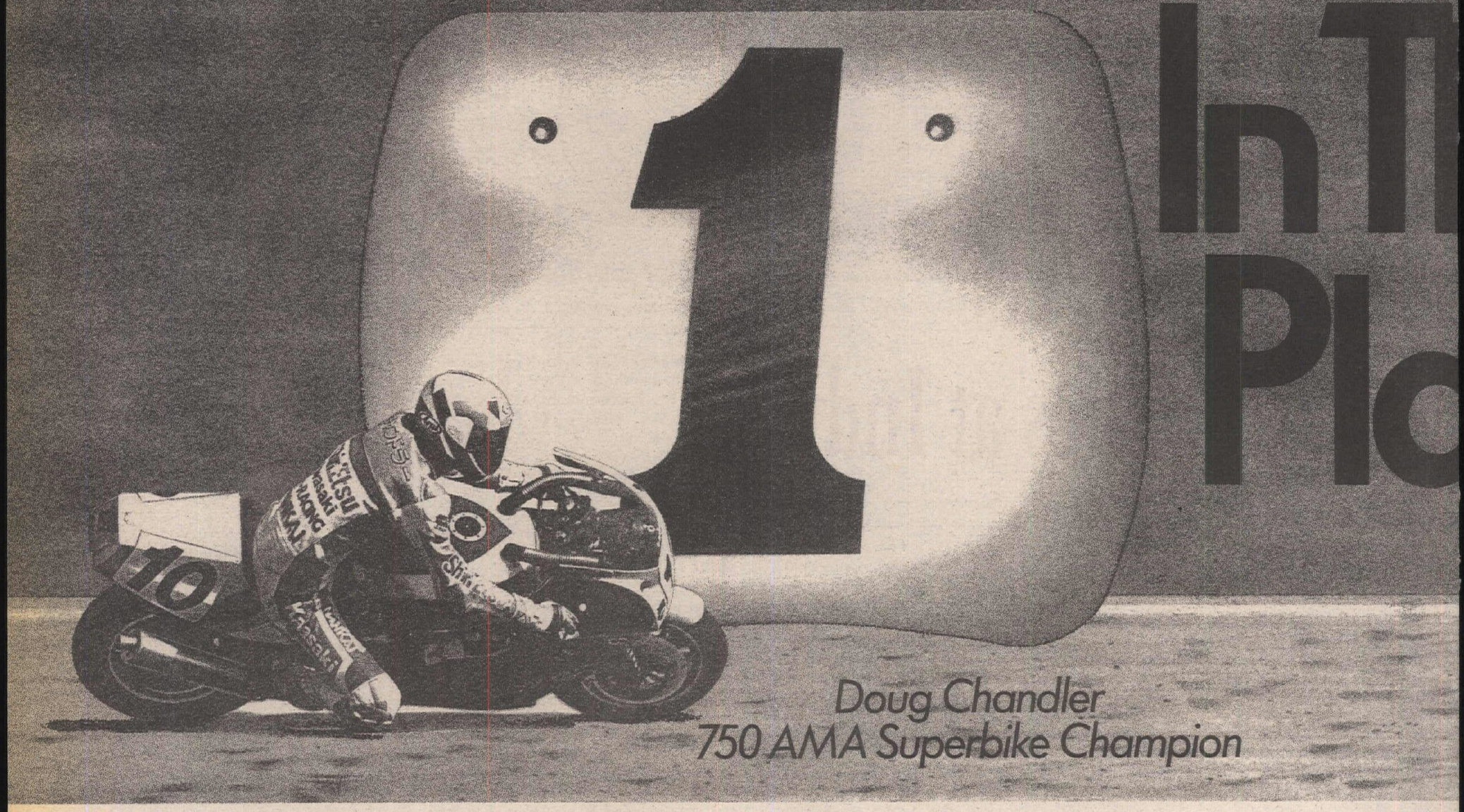

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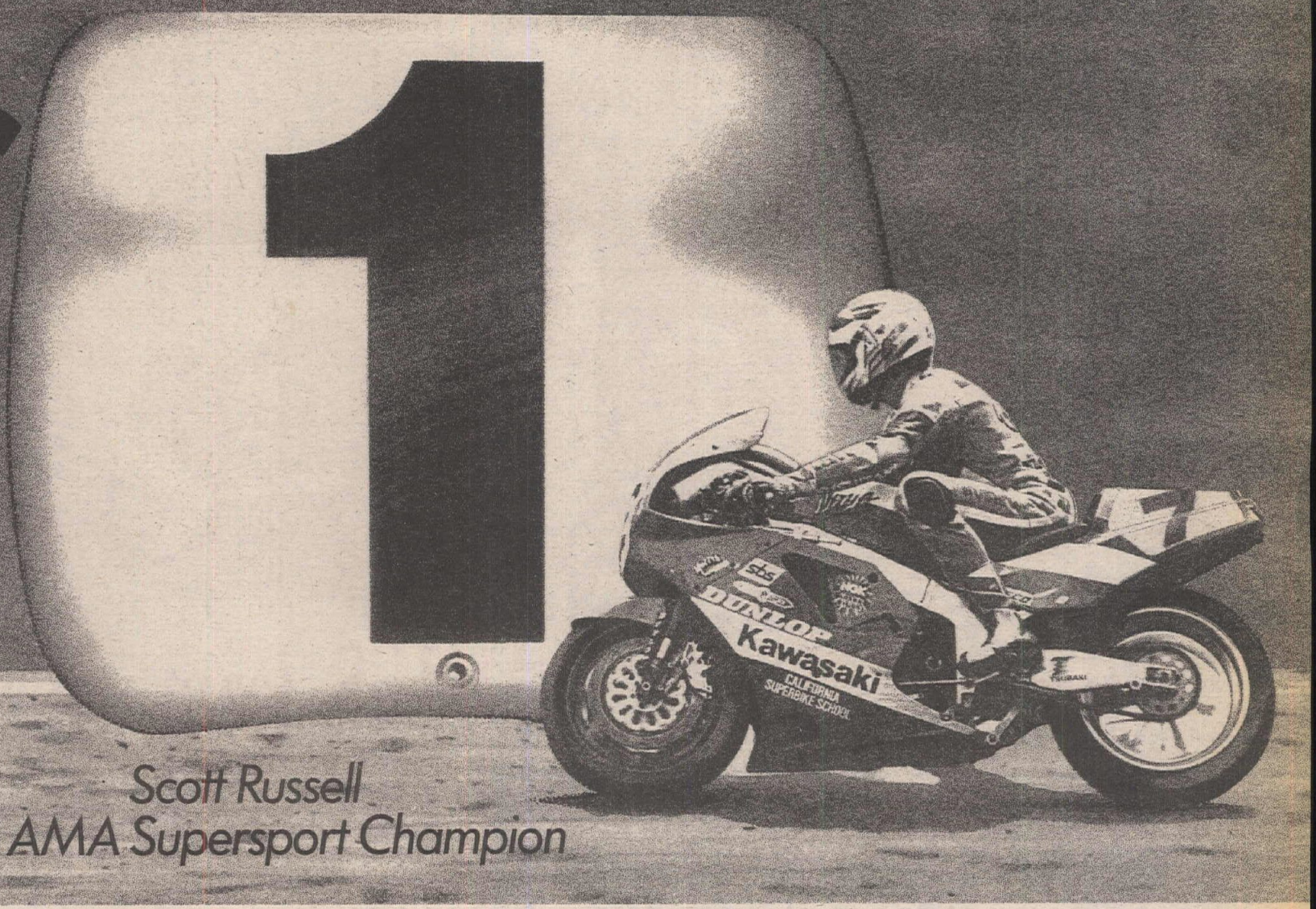

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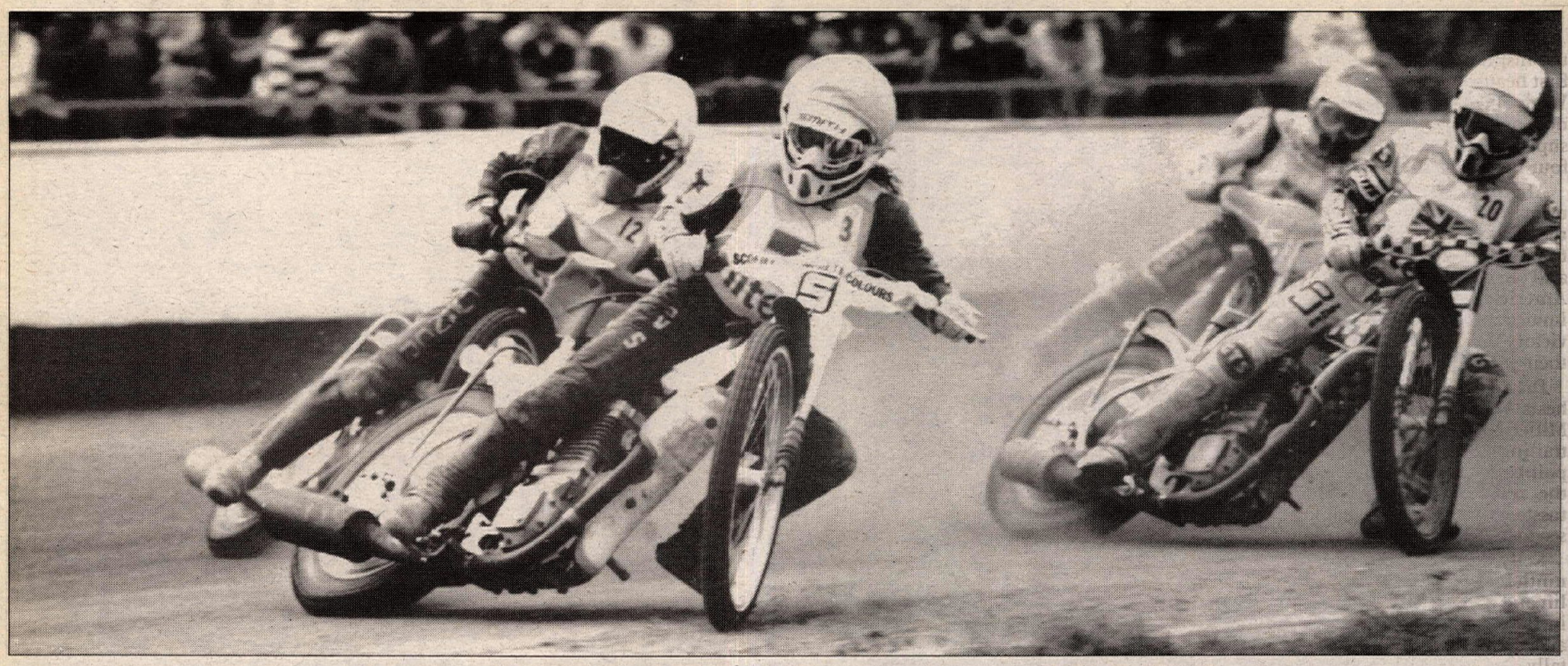
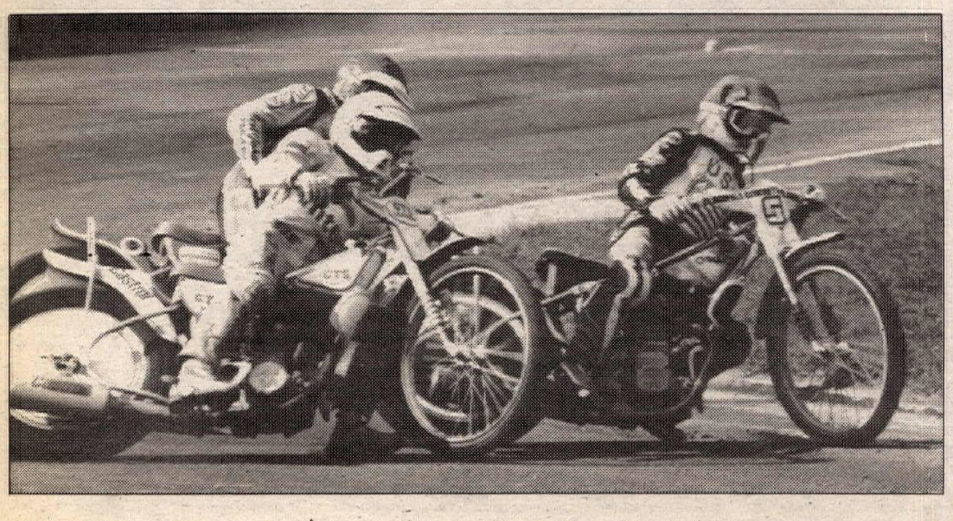


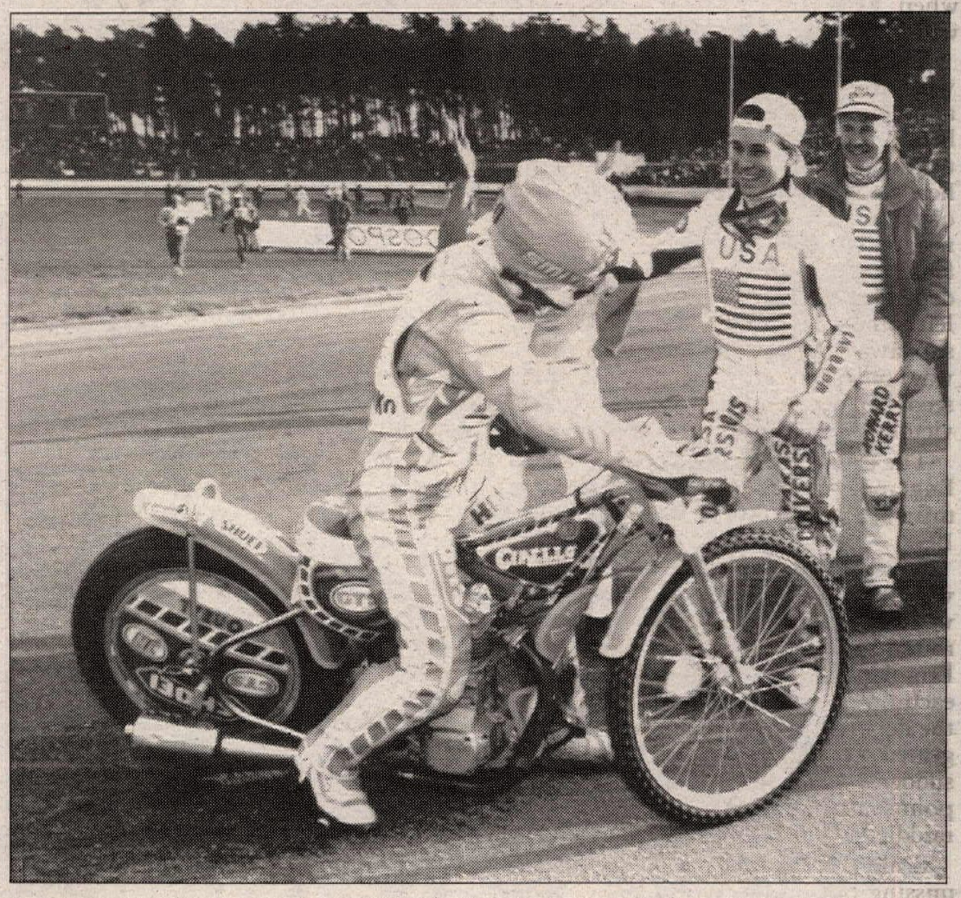
Californian Shawn Moran (3) led the U.S. team to its first World Team Cup Speedway Championship since 1982. The U.S. team beat runner-up England by just three points.

The winning U.S. squad: (top row, left to right) Billy Hammill, manager John Scott, Rick Miller, Shawn Moran, (front row) Sam Ermolenko and Kelly Moran.

American Kelly Moran leads Czechoslovakian Zcenek Tesar and Dane Tommy Knudsen in one of the many tightly knit heat races.



"Sudden" Sam Ermolenko is congratulated by his fellow American teammates after clinching the World Team Cup Championship in the final race.



U.S. team wins World Championship in Czecho

By John Hipkiss

PARDUBICE, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, SEPT. 16

America is back on top of the speedway world for the first time since 1982 when Bruce Penhall led the U.S. team to victory in the World Team Cup final. They made light of the ultra-slick conditions in Pardubice to storm to victory, beating the English team by three points with Denmark a further four points behind.

It was a magnificent triumph for Kelly Moran and his brother Shawn, Sam Ermolenko, Billy Hamill and Rick Miller, who had to battle through the qualifying rounds to get to the final. England, Denmark and host nation Czechoslovakia were guaranteed their places, but the Americans had to get there the hard way, overcoming a strong challenge from Sweden in the semi-final.

It was Kelly Moran who provided the inspiration after tailing off in his first heat behind Hans Nielsen, Simon Wigg and Bohumil Brehl. Moran did not make another mistake, gating superbly and winning his remaining four races in brilliant style.

After the first three heats, the U.S. team had collected only two points but then Ermolenko gave them the boost they needed, beating Dane Bo Petersen and Brit Marvyn Cox to register America's first win. Kelly Moran immediately followed up with another victory and the Americans were on their way.

Disappointments in the next two heats when Shawn Moran and Rick Miller both finished last left America trailing England and Denmark by six points, but again Ermolenko came to the rescue, winning a tremendous tussle with Denmark's Tommy Knudsen to snatch second place behind Wigg.

Kelly Moran's second win in the ninth heat gave the Americans another lift and they edged closer to the leaders in the next heat when Shawn Moran added another three points to their tally.

Hamill, coming in as a reserve for Miller who could not handle the bare track, took second place to Nielsen and the U.S. went ahead for the first time when Ermolenko scored his second win in heat 12.

They stayed in front with successive wins from the Moran brothers and another valuable second from Hamill before Ermolenko was relegated to third by Kelvin Tatum and Nielsen in heat 16, but Kelly Moran's fourth win of the match in heat 19 left England needing to take full points from the final race to force a run-off. All depended on Tatum but while he was left at the tapes Nielsen and Ermolenko shot away and sensibly the Californian was content to settle for a comfortable second place to clinch the American victory.

The U.S. team totaled 37 points with England second with 34, Denmark third at 30, and the Czechs fourth with 19.

It was the excellent team work which won the day for America. "We felt if we could beat Sweden in the qualifying round we could win the final," said Ermolenko. "We talked constantly to each other on the phone, worked out the details and tactics and we were all geared up. Things began badly but we suddenly got good when we took 17 points out of a possible 18 in the middle of the meeting."

Ermolenko is still disappointed at missing out on the World Individual Championships after the AMA decision not to seed him through to the overseas round, but he said, "I think I have proved a point and this has helped to make up for that disappointment. It has been a rough year, but I'm trying to make up for lost time."

Hero Kelly Moran had good reason to be delighted with his performance and America's first World Championship Team Cup victory in eight years. "It's been so long since we were on the victory rostrum, I couldn't remember the words to the Star Spangled Banner," said a grinning Moran. CN

Results

1. U.S.A. (37). Kelly Moran (12); Sam Ermolenko (11); Shawn Moran (10); Billy Hamill (4); Rick Miller (0).
2. England (34). Kelvin Tatum (11); 2. Simon Wigg (8); 3. Jeremy Doncaster (8); Gary Havelock (5); Marvyn Cox (2).
3. Denmark (30). Hans Nielsen (13); Brian Karger (5); John Jorgensen (4); Tommy Knudsen (4); Bo Petersen (4).
4. Czechoslovakia (19). Zdenek Tesar (6); Bohumil Brhel (6); Roman Matousek (3); Antonin Kasper (3); Vladimir Kalina (1).

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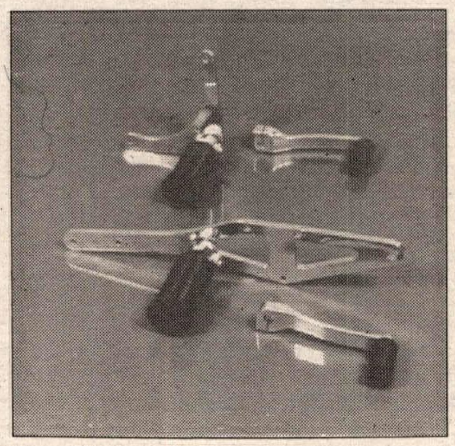

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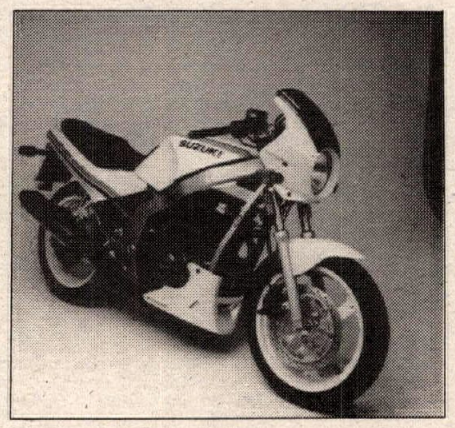

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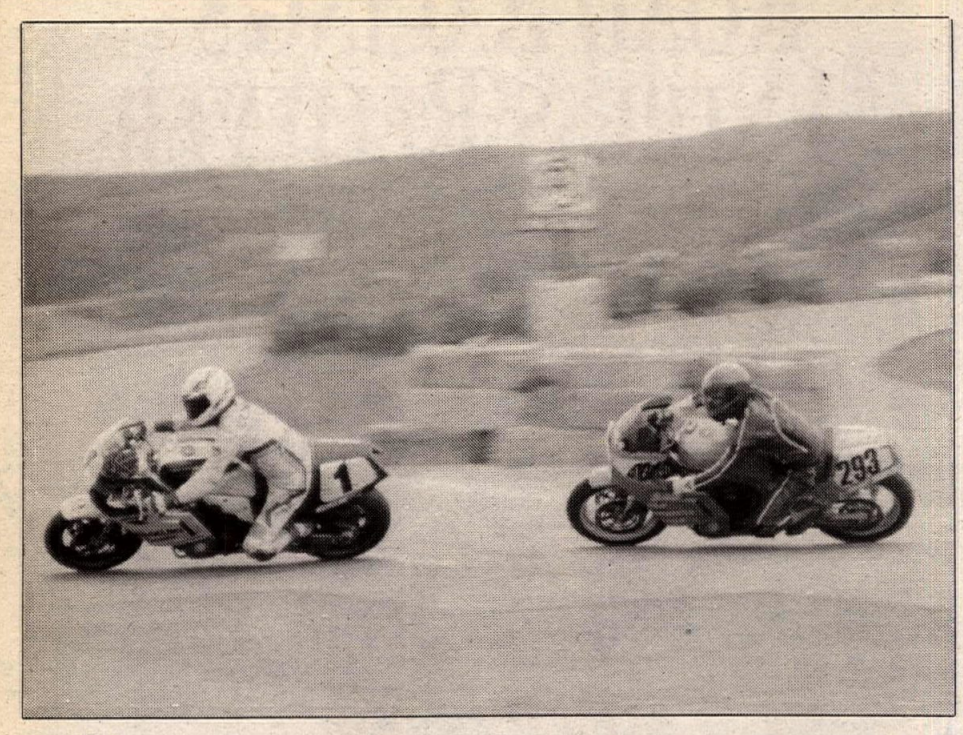
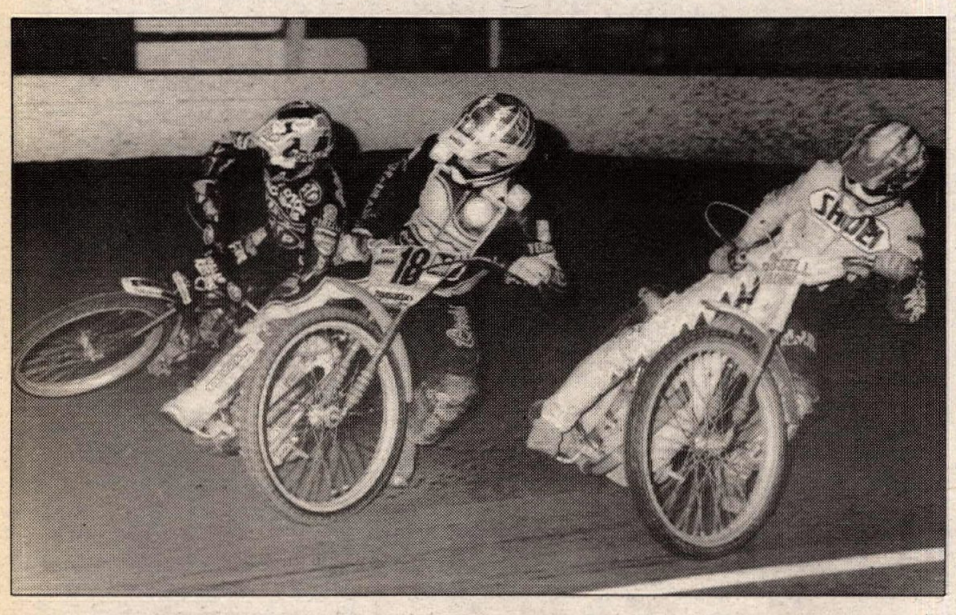


Geoff Cesmat (1) gave up the Race of the Rockies-GTO lead to Dan Turner, then held off Phillip Noyes (293) to finish second at Steamboat Springs.

Bobby Schwartz tries to ride around the outside of Steve Lucero (18) and Mike Faria at Costa Mesa. Faria later won the Scratch main.



10th Annual Steamboat Springs Road Race

Dimick, Turner heat up Colorado streets

By David Lucas

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, CO, SEPT. 16

The Mountain Roadracing Association (MRA) made its 10th annual trek to the resort town of Steamboat Springs, Colorado, where the riders race through the city streets at the base of the world-famous ski area.

Several MRA class championships were still undecided coming into this weekend. Race of the Rockies-GTU has been a season-long battle for control of the points lead, and this ninth installment was no disappointment. The front row of the grid was occupied by Jon Terry, Kurt Dimick and Bobby Miosek on Yamaha FZR600s and Mark Schellinger on a lone Honda CBR600. A fast start by Dimick gave him the edge into the first series of turns before the straight. Terry was continually putting a tire inside of Dimick's bike. The tussle lasted the entire race but Terry was unable to make a place out of it, eventually settling for second. Schellinger and Miosek also traded positions before Schellinger put distance on Miosek to gain third at the checkers.

The finishing positions only served to tighten the points standings, and the outcome will now be decided at the last race of the season at Second Creek Raceway on September 23.

Race of the Rockies-GTO began in typical fashion with the Suzuki of Geoff Cesmat in the lead, but he was challenged by the similar mount of Dan Turner, who finally secured first after a multi-lap struggle. Phillip Noyes had a career high as well, holding off Dr. David Keiffer's Rough Stock Honda RC30 in the closing lap for third place. A modest finish at the last race will give Cesmat the ROR-GTO Championship.

The 450cc Superbike Championship was signed and sealed with Aaron Merriman in charge since Second Creek, but the rest of the positions are still being fought over. Merriman elected not to race on Sunday, but for the remainder of the class it was a dive for the first corner between Mark Erickson's Yamaha SRX600 and Chip Killinen's Yamaha FZR400. Erickson was ahead on the outside while Killinen was behind on an inside line. Killinen overbraked and went down with the remainder of the field looking for an escape route. Erickson missed the sliding bike but killed his motor as the rest of the field swept past. The race was red-flagged and Killinen made it back to the start line for the restart.

The second time down the track Erickson decided to remove the possibility of another inside move and moved inside with authority. He remained in charge to take the win, his first this year.

The 600cc Superbike race was another Dimick/Terry struggle, with Dimick getting to the finish line ahead of Terry. However, Terry's second place was enough for him to clinch the class championship.

The 750cc Superbike contest should have been stopped on account of no-contest at the completion of the first lap. Greg Curtis' Kawasaki ZX7 was gone at the green and never had a shadow until the cool-down lap. His win was a double treat with the presence of Kawasaki as the event sponsor. The loss of Terry due to transmission problems left Curtis in control of this class with a 15-point lead. At the final race, Terry has to win and Curtis would have to place no better than 10th for Terry to claim the title.

The Open Superbike race was under the control of Geoff Cesmat on his "older" GSXR, which seems to get faster and faster with age. However, Greg Curtis is in the spoiler position if Cesmat should falter in any way.

The Supersport classes saw Suzuki and Yamaha contingency money up for grabs. The 600cc race was another start-to-finish domination by Bobby Miosek on his Yamaha. Dimick was busy fending off the Kawasaki ZX6 of Terry Harnish.

The 750cc Supersport race saw Guy Clasen launch from the second row to lead on the first lap. He was attacked almost immediately by Cesmat and Rich Stark, all three riders on Suzukis. Cesmat eventually pushed by and Clasen was set upon by an eager Stark. The shuffle lasted until Clasen secured second place for good and left Stark to avoid the clutches of a hard-riding Brian Flanagan on yet another Suzuki. The finishing order remained the same. Cesmat secured the class championship.

Open Supersport remains the domain of Dan Turner as his mastery of his Suzuki GSXR1100 appears deceptively easy. Phillip Noyes was breathtaking on his 750cc Suzuki; his last-second braking into the first turn would succeed in taking the lead from Turner, but he could only hold the position for a lap before Turner would take it back. This lasted until Noyes' front tire said "enough" and low-sided him into the hay bales in the closing laps of the race. Turner's finish gained him the class championship. CN

Results

ROR GTO: 1. Dan Turner (Suz); 2. Geoff Cesmat (Suz); 3. Phillip Noyes (Suz); 4. David Kieffer (Hon); 5. Guy Clasen (Suz).
ROR GTU: 1. Kurt Dimick (Yam); 2. Jon Terry (Yam); 3. Mark Schellinger (Hon); 4. Bobby Miosek (Yam); 5. Chip Killinen (Yam).
OPEN S/BK: 1. Danny Anderson (Suz); 2. Guy Clasen (Suz); 3. Pete Homan (Suz); 4. Dennie Burke (Suz); 5. Mike Hack (Suz).
OPEN S/SPRT: 1. Dan Turner (Suz); 2. Guy Clasen (Suz); 3. Pete Homan (Suz); 4. Dennie Burke (Suz); 5. Mike Hack (Suz).
750 S/BK: 1. Greg Curtis (Kaw); 2. David Kieffer (Hon); 3. Rich Stark (Suz); 4. Brian Flanagan (Suz); 5. Jim Forrington (Suz).
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600 S/BK: 1. Kurt Dimick (Yam); 2. Jon Terry (Yam); 3. Chip Killinen (Yam); 4. Mark Schellinger (Hon); 5. Bobby Odell (Yam).
600 S/SPRT: 1. Bobby Miosek (Yam); 2. Kurt Dimick (Yam); 3. Terry Harnish (Kaw); 4. Joe Miner (Yam); 5. Scott MacArther (Yam).
450 S/BK: 1. Mark Erickson (Yam); 2. Chip Killinen (Yam); 3. Tony Baker (Yam); 4. Chris Dudley (Yam); 5. Jim Marchbank (Yam).
F-CO: 1. Don Hough (Yam); 2. Bil Fisher (Yam); 3. Mike Reid (Rtx); 4. Mark Erickson (Yam); 5. Jim Sonnleitner (Yam).
AM GTO: 1. Richard Kimball (Suz); 2. Brad Bolcak (Kaw); 3. Brent Miller (Yam); 4. Doug Lyle (Suz); 5. David Gurtler (Yam).
AM GTU: 1. Joe Miner (Yam); 2. Yosuke Hasegawa (Yam); 3. Mark Erickson (Yam); 4. Danny Adamson (Yam); 5. Wes Hjelm (Hon).
NOV GTO: 1. Bill Hausler (Suz); 2. Brad Bolack (Kaw); 3. Doug Lyle (Suz); 4. Quinn Swift (Suz); 5. Kurt Dires (Suz).
NOV GTU: 1. Wes Hjelm (Hon); 2. Todd Alexander (Yam); 3. John Beldock (Suz); 4. Chris Taylor (Yam); 5. Ron Hough (Yam).

Venegas shines at Costa Mesa Speedway

By Scott Daloisio

COSTA MESA, CA, AUG. 31

Charlie Venegas finally shook off his Costa Mesa jinx and won the eight lap Handicap main at the Orange County Fairgrounds KLSX Fox Night. The victory was his first as a Division One rider at America's oldest speedway track.

Two times prior to his victory, Venegas had been close to wins at the venerable track in 1990. On one occasion he had nearly a half straight lead when his motor blew late in the race. On the other, he led most of the way only to be passed by Alan Christian in the race's final stages.

Venegas, on his Blendzall/WennZinka/Cyclegear-backed Weslake, chased down initial leader Mike Buff near the end of lap two. He rode around Buff and pulled it down on him to secure first. Veteran Shawn McConnell dropped Buff back to third on lap four. Seconds later the red flag came out. Andy Northrup hit Buff's rear tire in turn four and highsided. Northrup landed hard on his shoulder, but he was able to get up and restart the race.

Venegas started at the front on the single file restart and assumed the lead, once again. Christian, went by Buff on lap four to move into third, but he got no farther. The passing among the top three ended and Venegas finally had the victory that eluded him all season long. McConnell fended off Christian to earn the second place paycheck.

The popular Speedway Sidecars were on the show and the win went to the Ducati riding team of Dean Steele and Dwayne King from New Zealand. Randy McIntyre and Robert Fox were a close second with Kent Benander and Cary Pollard third.

Jerry Black took home top honors in the disputed Division Two main from the 30 yard-line. In Third Division, Carlos "Crashwall" Cardona beat Dennis Stepanenko and Mike Boyle.

Results

SCRATCH: 1. Mike Faria (Wes); 2. Alan Christian (Wes); 3. Josh Larsen (Wes); 4. Steve Lucero (Gdn).
HDCP: 1. Charlie Venegas (Wes); 2. Shawn McConnell (Gdn); 3. Alan Christian (Wes); 4. Josh Larsen (Gdn).
D-2: 1. Jerry Black (Wes).
D-3: 1. Carlos Cardona (Wes); 2. Dennis Stepanenko (Jaw); 3. Mike Boyle (Jaw); 4. Robbie Sauer (Jaw).
SDCAR: 1. Dean Steele/Dwayne King (Kaw); 2. Randy McIntyre/Robert Fox (Kaw); 3. Kent Benander/Cary Pollard (Kaw); 4. John Simmons/Robert McGath (MG).

Schwantz again at Glen Helen Speedway

By Scott Daloisio

SAN BERNARDINO, CA, AUG. 29

National Champion Bobby Schwartz narrowly defeated Alan "Crazy" Christian to win the thrilling Miller Genuine Draft Scratch main at the Glen Helen OHV Park's Inland Motor Speedway. Seconds later, Christian came back to win the eight lap Handicap main.

Coming from gate two, Christian was the first rider to reach turn one at the start of the four lap main. "Flyin' " Mike Faria was second off the line followed by Scott Brant. Schwantz, caught rolling backwards after pushing the tapes was last.

Faria, using the deep IMS cushion in turn two, tried to ride around the 34-year-old leader. However, he parked in turn two and that let Christian get away. Schwartz, on a rampage after his start, tried to come underneath Christian. The 1985 National Champion was equal to the task and he fended off Schwartz' challenge.

On the dirt line, Christian wheelied in turn one on lap two. Schwartz was ready to pounce, but like Christian, he also got traction and wheelied. That allowed Christian to maintain his slight advantage.

Things got rough on lap three. Schwartz drove into Christian in his quest for the lead. He was even with the race long leader in turn three. He gave him a tap in turn four and took over first. However, Christian did not give up. They went down the back chute elbow to elbow on lap four and bumped before entering turn three. Schwartz left the throttle on longer and it was enough to give him and his Promotion Products/CTi Brace/Budweiser/Silkolene/STP-backed GM the win. Christian, not the happiest man in the world with Schwartz' riding, placed second. Scott Brant finished third.

Results

SCRATCH: 1. Bobby Schwartz (GM); 2. Alan Christian (Wes); 3. Scott Brant (Wes); 4. Mike Faria (Wes).
HDCP: 1. Alan Christian (Wes); 2. Mike Faria (Wes); 3. Brent Werner (Gdn); 4. Rob Pfetzing (GM).
D-2: 1. Will Whiteside Wes); 2. Jeff Castin (Wes); 3. Lee Edwards (Wes); 4. Bobby Campbell (Wes).
SDCAR: 1. Randy McIntyre/Robert Fox (Kaw); 2. Craig Dempster/Peter Lewis (Kaw); 3. Ross Millar/Dale Leeder (Kaw); 4. Ken Ohrt/Doug Whitson (H-D).
JR D-1: 1. Chris Werner; 2. Heath Hammonds; 3. Randy Evans.
JR D-2: 1. Mark Nicklas; 2. Danny Bandfield; 3. Amber Kossuth.

Rochester hot at Perris MX

By David Procida

PERRIS, CA, SEPT. 9
With temperatures nearing 100-degrees, the racers were fighting more than just their competition at Perris Raceway. Action in the California Racing Club's Vet Intermediate class was just as hot as the weather as the top five riders were within a few bike lengths of each other in both motos.

In moto one, Randy Anderson rocketed out of the gate only to tangle with another rider, causing a chain reaction that only Robert Hedland and Mike Rochester avoided. Hedland had pulled the holeshot and Rochester had stalled his bike coming off the line.

This gave Hedland a good size lead as Rochester picked his way through the first turn carnage. Rochester was on the gas, threading his way through traffic, and he began to close the gap on Hedland.

Steve Clark was running a strong third but Keith Fearing reminded him that he was not alone. Anderson had recovered from his first turn fiasco and on lap eight he made his bid for fourth a successful one and dropped Fearing back to fifth, as Rochester now had Hedland in his sights.

Lapped traffic was becoming a factor in the lead position as Rochester was camped on Hedland's rear fender but was having difficulty finding the room to make a pass. Hedland held on for the first moto win while Rochester was the bridesmaid.

Rochester and Hedland picked up where they had left off in moto one and began what was to be a full 10-lap battle. Late in the moto, the duo began to pick different lines as they encountered traffic and Rochester added fuel to the fire by picking up the pace a notch. Rochester finally took the lead as he held on the throttle just long enough to edge Hedland out as they went into a tight right-hander.

Once in the lead, Rochester was determined to let nothing come between him and the checkered flag and that's just what he accomplished as he took the win and the overall victory over Hedland. Clark turned in another fine performance finishing third, while right on his heels were Anderson and Fearing.

Results

WMN NOV: 1. Jaime Paminluan (Suz); 2. Stacy Malone (Hon).
80 BEG: 1. Chad Cook (Kaw).
80 NOV: 1. Chip Rotan (Kaw); 2. Dean VanRiper (Kaw); 3. Chris Neitzel (Kaw); 4. Bob Gunter (Suz).
125 BEG: 1. Chad Cook (Kaw); 2. Jay Kelling (Kaw); 3. John Turner (Hon).
125 NOV: 1. Dan King (Yam); 2. Ron Malone (Hon); 3. John Pack (Yam).
125 INT: 1. Scott Murphy (Hon).
125 PRO: 1. Dustin Evans (Suz).
250 BEG: 1. Joe Fernandez (Suz); 2. Brad Clark (Hon); 3. Mark Avalos (Yam); 4. T. J. White (Kaw); 5. Tom Carrothers (Kaw).
250 NOV: 1. Tim McAdams (Kaw); 2. Dave Minnick (KTM); 3. Neil Sommers (Yam).
250 INT: 1. Todd Broussard (Hon); 2. Ken Neitzel (Kaw).
250 PRO: 1. Ed Verhelst (Kaw).
500 BEG: 1. Carl Carmichael (Hon); 2. Dan Zito (Hon).
500 INT: 1. Tim Harris (Yam).
JR VET BEG: 1. Alon Sahar (Suz).
JR VET NOV: 1. Ron Sharp (Yam); 2. Kevin Davidson (Kaw); 3. Rick Brosch (Suz).
JR VET INT: 1. John Peterson (KTM).
VET BEG: 1. David Anthony (ATK); 2. Steve Bruhn (Yam); 3. Doug Howell (Suz); 4. Kirk LuKrofka (Hon); 5. Todd Foose (Kaw).
VET NOV: 1. Dean Jennings (Kaw); 2. Dave Minnick (KTM); 3. Steve Schrobsdorf (Hon); 4. Donald Horvatich (Hon).
VET INT: 1. Michael Rochester (Hon); 2. Robert Hedland (Hon); 3. Steve Clark (Yam); 4. Randy Anderson (Yam); 5. Keith Fearing (ATK).
VET EX: 1. Alan Kent (Kaw).
SR BEG: 1. John King (Yam).
SR NOV: 1. George Omo (HOn).

Fun and frolic at Davenport Vintage Field Meet

By Lee Cowie

DAVENPORT, IA, SEPT. 1
The annual Antique Motorcycle Club National meet held at the Davenport, Iowa, fairgrounds had a number of events included in it. While the flea market goes on, JP Productions runs a vintage half-mile dirt track race. Motorcycles are displayed and judged and the Chief Blackhawk Chapter AMC runs a field meet.

The field meet was held on Saturday afternoon and was organized by Tom Malsch and his band of volunteers from the Chief Blackhawk Chapter AMC and sponsored by Classic Bike and The Classic Motorcycle magazines. The first event was planned to be a plank ride with three wide planks placed end to end, but as all the competitors could easily ride from end to end the officials decided to rethink this one and progressed to a slow race.

All of the competitors lined up on the starting line on motorcycles ranging from a 1915 Harley-Davidson to a 1968 BSA. On the starter's signal they started forwrd, but one by one they killed their engines or touched the ground, (cause for immediate disqualification), or crossed the finish line until only Robin Manley remained riding his 1939 Indian and was declared the winner.

Alan Kent topped the Vet Intermediate class at Perris Raceway's Sunday MX.

The finish line now became the starting line and, with the riders standing on front of their machines, competitors were asked to push their motorcycles back to the line they had just ridden from. On the starter's order motorcycles seemed to fly in every direction but John Chester and his 1948 Harley-Davidson, who weren't as fast as many, went in a straight line and crossed the finish line first to win the event.

The third event was a hot dog-biting contest and for the first round the weiners were hung without adornments, they would be covered with mustard if there was a tie. Only one rider managed to get a bite and this was 1938 Indian-mounted Elmer Lower.

The officials then decided to rerun the plank ride with the planks arranged in a zig-zag, or "S" shape, to see if anyone could ride them. No one could, but Pete Sink managed to ride his 1949 Indian farther than anyone else to win the contest.

Reagor takes Paris ST win

By Kathy Goodwin

PARIS, TN, SEPT. 8
Eddie Reagor captured the 250cc main event victory at the Saturday night Paris Short Track.

Despite threatening rain Reagor was able to hold off Charlie Mrash, who was in a constant battle of his own with Jeff Jones. Taking fourth place was Chris Boone.

Boone returned to take both the 200cc class win over Joshua Knott and also the Open class win, which was decided on heat race finishes after the track was drenched by local rains and main events were unable to take place. Charles Southgate placed second and Charlie Marsh took third.

The Senior class win was taken by local rider David Flowers over Buddy Akers and Charles Southgate.

Joshua Knott rode a smooth line to take the 85cc class win over rival Jason Goodwin.

Goodwin returned to take the 65cc class win, and Joshua Peck took the 50cc win.

Results

50: 1. Josh Peck (Suz).
65: 1. Jason Goodwin (Kaw).
85: 1. Joshua Knott (Suz); 2. Jason Goodwin (Kaw).
200: 1. Chris Boone (Hon); 2. Joshua Knott (Suz).
250: 1. Eddie Reagor (Suz); 2. Charlie Marsh (Hon); 3. Jeff Jones (Yam); 4. Chris Boone (Yam).
OPEN: 1. Chris Boone (Yam); 2. Charles Southgate (Hon); 3. Charlie Marsh (Hon).

Letellier lightning at Santa Fe HS

By Phil Ellsworth

CARBONDALE, KS, SEPT. 2
Leigh Letellier dominated the Kansas Motorcycle Sportsman Association — sponsored two-hour hare scramble held at Santa Fe Trail Cycle Park.

The 100-degree temperature and dusty conditions made this Labor Day weekend race challenging for all the riders. The promoters set up a firehose waterfall on the course to douse the racers, but the heat and sun took their toll. The course itself was fast and slick with grass track sections and trails as hard as concrete. The racers were started in three waves with two minutes between to reduce the dust. Letellier holeshot the first wave of Experts and Amateurs on his Letko Cycles KTM 250 and was never headed. There was a pile-up in the first corner that slowed many riders, including Jay Williams.

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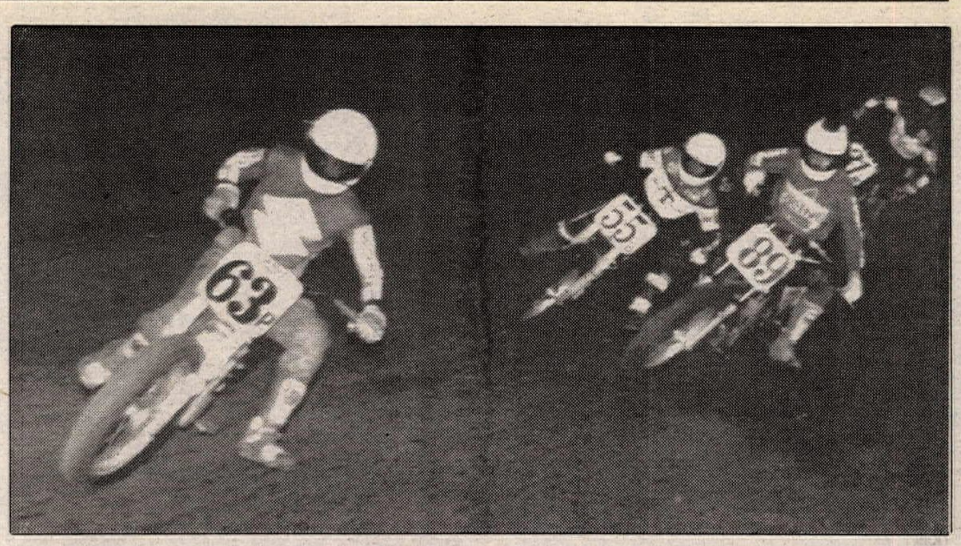
LOCAL EVENTS

Mike Brown (483) leads Chad Lough (959), Billy Cox (112), Jamie Hacking (268) and Kevin Walker (197) at the start of a 125cc A moto at the Dallas Ricker Complex.



Marshall Patrick (63) leads Greg Crow (89) and Chad Barth (55) in the Pro/Am class at Peoria. Crow eventually passed Patrick to claim the win.

Letellier completed 10 laps of the rough five-mile course for the victory. Dave Osborn on a Suzuki RM250 was in second place, well off Letellier's pace. He held it until the last lap when he ran out of gas, despite refueling on the last pass through the pits. Second overall was taken by Amateur Carl Hansen with an excellent ride on a Honda CR125. Third overall and second Expert was Bryan Minter followed by Williams, who worked his way back up after a start mishap, despite having rear brake problems and taking a shower on the last lap.

Dave Jeffery got the jump on the Plus-30 and 40 riders, then led all the way for his first class win. Several riders contested the first corner behind him, but it was Steve Grun who held on and motored to second Plus 30.

Results

EX: 1. Leigh Letellier (KTM); 2. Bryan Minter (Hon); 3. Jay Williams (Kaw); 4. Randy Bayless (Yam); 5. Paul Weber (Hon).
80: 1. Eli Geiger (Hon).
125: 1. Carl Hansen (Hon); 2. Roger Ward (Hon); 3. Mike Dobson (Suz); 4. Scott Raine (Kaw).
200: 1. Bruce Clarke (Kaw); 2. Greg Young (Kaw); 3. Monty Peterson (Yam).
250: 1. Derek Brooks (Yam); 2. Shane DiPasquale (ATK); 3. Carl Dobson (Suz); 4. Craig Wettengel (KTM).
500: 1. Terry Gilliland (KTM); 2. John Isaacs (KTM); 3. Scott Rundell (Kaw); 4. Pat Easum (KTM).
PLUS 30: 1. David Jeffery (KTM); 2. Steve Grun (KTM); 3. Phil Ellsworth (ATK); 4. Chuck Partridge (Hon).
PLUS 40: 1. Eric Hansen (Hon); 2. Dan Ward (Yam); 3. Dave Barkley (ATK); 4. Steve Cruse (Yam); 5. Bob Ives (Suz).
BEG 1: 1. Charles Partridge (Suz).
BEG 2: 1. Doug Robertson (Kaw); 2. Paul Kuhn (ATK); 3. Perry Keegan (Suz); 4. Lynn Atkelson (Hon); 5. Reggie Barkley (ATK).
VINT: 1. Dan Bauer (Pen).

Brown four for four at Dallas Ricker Motocross

By Barbara Williams
Photo by Loren Williams

GREENEVILLE, TN, SEPT. 8

Against a backdrop of threatening night skies accompanied by rising wind, ominous thunder and a spectacular lightning display, Mike Brown created a little weather of his own at the Dallas Ricker Complex's final Saturday Night MX of 1990.

Returning to competition following a cracked wrist from a crash at Ponca City and a broken collarbone at the Tennessee State Fair, Brown demonstrated to the field of 10 A riders that his aches and pains had nothing to do with the task at hand.

From the drop of the gate in the first 125cc A moto, Brown leaped to the front and stayed there for the entire race, challenged only briefly by Kevin Walker during the early laps. Walker wicked up his Yamaha YZ125 to get a wheel on Brown at the end of lap two, sticking with him until three laps later when he found his rapid forward momentum suddenly directed downward. After a close inspection of the finish line tabletop, Walker hauled himself upright and remounted to rejoin the competition. For the remaining laps, Walker diced with Chad Lough, finishing an ignominious seventh. Lough, who had blasted out of the gate in second position, slid out in a turn and found himself at the end of the line, electing not to take any dumb chances and finish the race in one piece. Jim Neese followed Brown, Walker and Billy Cox from the get-go, and passed Cox in the last turn. But Neese didn't get tired and Cox wasn't gifted with a Neese mistake, so they finished Brown, Neese, Cox.

Brown, Lough, Neese and Hank Moree rounded turn one in that order to begin the second 125cc A moto, followed by Jeff Shuler, Walker, Paul Dalton, Cox and Jamie Hacking. Lough rode with his britches on fire, matching Brown jump for jump, turn for turn, and the pair simply left the rest to sort themselves out. Neese maintained third spot for the entire race, while Moree held fourth, but not without aggravation from Walker, who slipped around Shuler at the end of the whoops.

Results

50: 1. Dusty Tindell (Yam); 2. Thomas Hamby (Itj); 3. Jeffery Fields (Yam); 4. Matt Blevins (Suz); 5. Ross Hughes (Yam).
50 AUTO: 1. Jeremy Shelton (Hon); 2. Jamey Shelton (Hon).
JR MINI: 1. David Clark (Hon); 2. Jeffrey Williams (Kaw); 3. Camden Guyton (Kaw).
SR MINI: 1. John Sharpe (Hon); 2. Billy Charles (Kaw); 3. Gage Fortson (Suz); 4. David Clark (Hon); 5. Shawn Horsley (Hon).
SCHBY: 1. John Sharpe (Hon); 2. Jeff Cochran (Kaw).
ENDR: 1. Kirk Hayes (Suz); 2. Chad Mullins (Yam); 3. John Fisher (KTM); 4. Alvin Testa (Suz); 5. Jeff Lane (Suz).
125 A: 1. Mike Brown (Kaw); 2. Jim Neese (Kaw); 3. Chad Lough (Hon); 4. Hank Moree (Kaw); 5. Billy Cox (Suz).
125 B: 1. Mike Nutter (Kaw); 2. Billy Charles (Kaw).
125 C: 1. Brad Clark (Kaw); 2. Johnny Cox (Suz); 3. Leslie Belcher; 4. Ryan McCann (Kaw); 5. Chad Price (Yam).
250 A: 1. Mike Brown (Kaw); 2. Aaron Bollinger (Suz); 3. Kevin Walker (Yam); 4. Chad Lough (Hon); 5. Paul Dalton (Hon).
250 B: 1. Jay Hayes (Hon); 2. Mike Howard (Kaw); 3. Mike Nutter.
250 C: 1. Brad Clark (Kaw); 2. Brian Archer (Hon); 3. Chad Mullins (Yam); 4. Richard Hefner (Hon); 5. Bob Hammond (Kaw).
25+ A: 1. Mike Howard (Kaw); 2. Tim Jennings (Suz); 3. Larry Harrison (Suz).
25+ B: 1. Kirk Hayes (Suz); 2. Mike Litz (Suz); 3. Eddie Middleton (Yam); 4. Cletis Greene (Hon); 5. Jeffrey Slate (Hon).
OPEN AM: 1. Kirk Hayes (Suz); 2. Gary Osborne (Hon); 3. Brian Hayworth (Kaw); 4. Allan Wilder (Yam); 5. Jimmy Leach (Kaw).
S SR: 1. John Thompson (Suz).
SR A: 1. Larry Harrison (Suz).
SR B: 1. Gary Osborne (Hon); 2. Chester Mumpower (Hon); 3. John Thompson (Suz); 4. Jim Anders (Suz); 5. Johnny Rasar (Suz).
NON-CURR: 1. Chester Mumpower (Hon); 2. Darrell Stallard (Hon); 3. Kevin Hill (Yam); 4. Jeffrey Slate (Hon); 5. Bob Hammond (Yam).
U L AM: 1. Jay Hayes (Hon); 2. Brian Archer (Hon); 3. Jimmy Leach (Kaw); 4. Scott Carter (Yam); 5. Mike Nutter (Yam).

Kalos cooks at Flagstaff Supercross

By Babs Scholl

FLAGSTAFF, AZ, SEPT. 1-2

The Promotions/Pepsi/Crystal Geyser-sponsored Flagstaff Supercross saw Shawn Kalos dominate the Pro Sweepstakes class both days. On Saturday, Jimmy Gaddis pulled the holeshot while Gary Derks was in second trying to hold off Kalos. By the third lap, Kalos was around Derks and closing on Gaddis. Kalos soon got by Gaddis and pulled away to win. Gaddis held on to second over Gary Derks and fourth went to Dennis Parker with Rick Nagel fifth.

Results

SATURDAY
OPEN MINI: 1. David Pengree (Suz); 2. Ryan McCoskey (Hon); 3. Ted Campbell (Hon).
125 NON-PRO: 1. Travis Mudd (Hon); 2. Mike Yellowhair (Hon); 3. Kelly Poor (Hon).
125 INT: 1. Justin McMurrich (Hon); 2. Shawn Cisco (Yam); 3. Tom Witkawski (Kaw).
250 NON-PRO: 1. Grey Crouse (Suz); 2. Bryan Bruning (Yam); 3. Neal Ignace (Hon).
250 INT: 1. Shawn Cisco (Yam); 2. Alex McEliga (Suz); 3. Justin McMurrich (Hon).
PRO SWPSTKE: 1. Shawn Kalos (Yam); 2. Jimmy Gaddis (Suz); 3. Gary Dircks (Hon); 4. Dennis Parker (Hon); 5. Rick Negel (Hon).
SUNDAY
OPEN MINI: 1. Ryan Bradis (Hon); 2. B.J. Parrish (Hon); 3. Ryan McCoskey (Hon).
125 NON-PRO: 1. Mike Yellowhair (Hon); 2. Jacob Strave (Hon); 3. Chris Vigil (Hon).
125 INT: 1. Fichie Church (Hon).
250 NON-PRO: 1. Grey Crouse (Suz); 2. Bryan Bruning (Yam); 3. Steve Byrne (Suz).
250 INT: 1. Shawn Cisco (Yam); 2. Alex McEliga (Suz); 3. Justin McMurrich (Hon).
PRO SWPSTKE: 1. Shawn Kalos (Yam); 2. Jimmy Gaddis (Suz); 3. Gary Dircks (Hon); 4. Brent Wineland (Suz); 5. Dennis Parker (Hon).

McElroy wins a wild one at Cycleland Motocross

By Michael Rich

CHICO, CA, SEPT. 7

Scott McElroy made a rare appearance at Cycleland Speedway pay off as he took both motos of the combined Expert/Intermediate race to score an impressive overall victory.

As the gate dropped to begin the first moto, John Stark shot into the lead followed by Lowell Moural, Sr. and McElroy. Perennial track favorite, Lowell Moural, Jr. gated poorly and was attempting to work his way to the front. As the leaders made their first trip through the rockers, McElroy moved past Moural Sr. for second and began to slowly close the gap between himself and Stark. In his attempt to catch the leaders, Moural Jr. took several off-track excursions, and was finally forced out of the moto when his shoulder popped out of joint. By the fifth lap, McElroy had closed on Stark and stuffed under him in the high-banked berm after the stadium tabletop to assume the lead. Stark, however, was not content with second and repeatedly tried to repass the new leader. As the two riders entered the stadium for the last time, Stark tried to put a block pass on McElroy, but was thrown off his bike when the two clipped handlebars. As Stark ran alongside his mount, both Moural Sr. and Brandon Williams were able to pass. At the finish it was McElroy taking the win followed by Moural Sr. and Williams.

In the second moto, McElroy took the holeshot ahead of Stark and Lowell Moural Jr., who had his shoulder reset and taped between races. Stark's race came to an abrupt end when his throttle stuck wide open and he disappeared off the track and into the night at a high rate of speed. Meanwhile, Moural Jr. was trying everything he knew in order to keep contact with McElroy. However, he started to make mistakes that allowed his father to close in. As the two riders entered the stadium on lap six, Moural Jr. overshot the big berm after the tabletop allowing his father through on the inside. In the end, it was McElroy taking the win followed by Moural Sr., Moural Jr. and Rick Nye.

Results

P/W: 1. Chris McAvoy (Yam); 2. Evan Laughridge (Kaw); 3. Eric Nye (Yam).
MINI: 1. Shane Medford (Kaw); 2. Justin Brown (Yam).
125 NOV: 1. Jason Ritchy (Hon); 2. Aaron Rogers (Hon); 3. Lee Richards (Kaw).
250 NOV: 1. Todd Wroe (Hon); 2. Kevin Hunderman (Hon).
250 JR: 1. Dino Rogers (Hon).
OPEN JR: 1. Gary Packer (Hon); 2. Jim Ferguson (Hon).
VET NOV: 1. Bill Rogers (Hon).
VET JR: 1. Michael Rich (Suz); 2. Roger Lindsey (Kaw).
EX/INT: 1. Scott McElroy (Suz); 2. Lowell Moural Sr. (Hon); 3. Rick Nye (Hon).

Crow bags Peoria Short Track win

By Dave Hoenig
Photo by Flat Trak Fotos

PEORIA, IL, SEPT. 5

The eight-race Pepsi/Tote Gray Racing Association Summer Series drew to a close on an extremely hot and humid Wednesday night at the Peoria Short Track. It was also a race against time as a 9:00 p.m. curfew was in effect since school had resumed. All racing was completed, with just a small bulge on the curfew, by 9:15 p.m.

Young Josh Toungett out-dueled many-time winner Michael Oehler for his first win in the 50cc class. Jon Champlin held down second early, but had to settle for third.

In the 65cc final, Shane Garrison was under fire from Justin Fillson when a missed shift dropped Fillson well off the pace and Garrison went on to win.

The 80cc class final was a two-rider battle for first between Dan Bell and Ronnie Serele. Bell took the lead, but fell on lap four in turn one leaving Serele a comfortable and winning lead over Gary Cook with Waylon McFeeters well back in third. William Rolurson passed Jeremy Smith on the last lap for fourth.

The 125 and 200cc class was combined into one race with Kip Anderson putting his 125 out front to win. William Miller, Scott Shinn and Kurt Narnor followed. Shinn was able to work his 200 into second, but couldn't get by Anderson.

Chris Schmulbach led the 250cc main's field around on the first lap, but Steve Gardner quickly took over with Schmulbach, Bryan Graybeal and Doni Holeman in tow. Holeman made a couple of big moves and was in second by the halfway point. Gardner couldn't hold off the defending District 17 champ, Holeman, and had to settle for second over Graybeal, Schmulbach and Dwayne Williams.

The Pro-Am and Open Pro combined final pulled to the line at 9:05 and Marshall Patrick read the start light perfectly to lead into turn one with Greg Crow, Chad Barth and Audie Huff bunched close behind. Crow took over on lap three and Patrick, Barth and Huff were all going for second when Barth bailed off in turn one. The red flag came out and the race was called complete, as a shaken Barth was helped back to the pits. Crow was awarded first, followed by Patrick, Huff and Larry Davis.

Results

50: 1. Josh Toungett (Yam); 2. Michael Oehler (Yam); 3. Jon Champlin (Yam); 4. Randall Mohring (Yam).
65: 1. Shane Garrison (Kaw); 2. Justin Filson (Hon); 3. Melvin Ogborn (Hon).
80: 1. Ronnie Serele (Hon); 2. Gary Cook (Kaw); 2. Waylon McFeeter; 4. William Rolurson (Hon); 5. Jeremy Smith (Hon).
125/200: 1. Kip Anderson (KTM); 2. Scott Shinn (Yam); 3. William Miller (Kaw); 4. Kurt Narnor (Yam); 5. Donni Stewart (Kaw).
250: 1. Doni Holeman (Hon); 2. Steve Gardner (Hon); 3. Bryan Graybeal (Hon); 4. Chris Schmulbach (Kaw); 5. Dwayne Williams (Yam).
400/500: 1. Chris Links (Hon); 2. Chris Schmulbach (W-R); 3. Steve Gill (Bul); 4. Brad Wilkinson (Kaw).
SR: 1. Steve Gardner (H-D); 2. Jay Williamson (Yam); 3. David Stanfield (Yam); 4. Scott Wiebler (Hon).
PRO-AM/OPEN: 1. Greg Crow (H-D); 2. Marshall Patrick (Rtx); 3. Audie Huff (Rtx); 4. Larry Davis (H-D); 5. Jime Hinthorn (Hon).

Newman nails Motorcycle Raceways win

By Alan Williams

OKLAHOMA, OK, SEPT. 15

Tommy Newman resumed racing again at Motorcycle Raceways and took the overall victory in the 250cc Intermediate class. Newman hasn't raced in several years and his family owned Motorcycle Raceways until about two or three years ago.

Homer Woolslayer took the holeshot in moto one with Newman in second place on lap two. The two riders were side by side or just a fender apart for one entire lap, until Newman made the pass on the inside just before a jump and cruised two more laps to win the moto.

Moto two started with Newman getting the holeshot and holding the lead for all six laps. The number two spot in both motos belonged to Ty Harris, who moved through the pack in both instances to claim the slot.

The 125cc Beginner class drew a full gate and six riders found themselves on the ground at the start of moto one. Chris Thurman took the holeshot and held on to win the moto but he was pressured constantly by Jerry Melton in second place and Dustin Rollins in third.

In moto two the holeshot was captured by Scott Deubler but Dustin Rollins was right there to keep him company. Rollins swept past Deubler on the third lap and stayed out front to the finish. Thurman moved into second to finish ahead of Deubler, and Melton.

Jeremy Gray traded in his 80 for a 125cc bike and rode well in the 125cc Novice class. Gray came to the starting line with a big wooden block to help start him off the line and was in seventh at the start of moto one, Gray moved up four places by the time he had covered a fourth of the track and won

both motos. Johnny Marley had an excellent night as he won the Pee Wee Stock, Pee Wee Modified and 60cc classes.

Results

P/W STK: 1. Johnny Marley (Yam); 2. Ryan Early (Yam); 3. Jeremy Thomas (Yam); 4. Ryan Harris (Yam); 5. Chase Reed (Yam).
P/W MOD: 1. Johnny Marley (Yam); 2. Ryan Early (Yam); 3. Dustin Record (Yam); 4. Chase Reed (Yam).
60 MINI MINI: 1. Johnny Marley (Kaw); 2. Ryan Early (Yam); 3. Tyler Farrar (Hon); 4. Lee Hankers (Kaw); 5. Michael Flick (Yam).
80 MINI JR: 1. Bubba Ellis (Hon); 2. Rick Peterson Jr. (Kaw); 3. Alan Helper (Kaw) 4. Coby Sharp (Suz); 5. Bud Lowe (Suz).
80 BEG: 1. Dennis Owens (Kaw); 2. B.J. Swift (Suz); 3. Waylon Litchfield (Hon) 4. Mitch Wallace (Kaw); 5. John Flynt (Suz).
80 SR: 1. Robbie Reynard (Kaw); 2. Todd Claborn (Kaw); 3. Neil DeArmond (Kaw); 4. Coby Sharp (Suz); 5. Brandon Hoffman (Kaw).
80 OPEN: 1. Robbie Reynard (Kaw); 2. Todd Claborn (Kaw); 3. Dennis Owens (Kaw); 4. Brandon Hoffman (Kaw); 5. B.J. Swift (Suz).
125 BEG: 1. Chris Thurman (Yam); 2. Dustin Rollins (Hon); 3. Jerry Melton (Hon); 4. Roger Brown (Yam); 5. Scott Deubler (Suz).
125 NOV: 1. Jeremy Gray (Suz); 2. Eric Rogers (Suz); 3. Lance Staggs (Suz); 4. Jeff Scott (Suz); 5. Richard Stephens (Kaw).
125 INT: 1. Ty Harris (Kaw); 2. Jeff Reid (Suz); 3. Chris Tucker (Kaw); 4. Monte Frank (Suz); 5. Homer Woolslayer (Hon).
250 BEG: 1. Mark Cochell (Suz); 2. Brain Young (Hon); 3. Billy Roberth (Yam); 4. Greg Connelly (Suz); 5. Kurt Stanley (Kaw).
250 NOV: 1. Brad Smith (Kaw); 2. Deral Hunter (Suz); 3. Dean Doty (Suz); 4. Shawn Austin (Kaw); 5. Ron Sloan (Hon).
250 INT: 1. Tommy Newman (Kaw); 2. Ty Harris (Kaw); 3. Chad Anthony (Kaw); 4. Rick Manning (Suz); 5. Michael Hulsey (Suz).
250 EX: 1. Chan Baker (Suz); 2. Jimmy Webb (Kaw); 3. Brandon Farmer (Yam).
OVER 25: 1. Jim Anderson (Hon); 2. Wayne Davis (Yam); 3. Ray Jones (Hon); 4. Mark Cochell (Suz); 5. Wendell Heard (Suz).
OVER 35: 1. Jim Thomas (Yam); 2. Larry Snow (Suz); 3. Mr. Redwine (Hon); 4. R.C. Bennight (Kaw); 5. Gary Drummond (Yam).
OUTLAW: 1. Clifford Adoptante (Hon); 2. Ty Harris (Kaw); 3. Michael Hulsey (Suz); 4. Jeff Reid (Suz); 5. Rick Manning (Suz).

Sellards sails to double wins at Mathias Short Track

By T.L. Coss

NEW PHILADELPHIA, OH, SEPT. 2
Marcus Sellards scored double wins in Knobby class competition, taking the checkered flag in both 125 and 250cc classes at Mathias ST.

Sellards got the holeshot in both events and maintained the lead throughout. Tim Conti and Tandy Friley pursued him in the 125cc class. In the 250cc Knobby, veteran Tom Hodges made his move around the thick pack of riders to capture second, and Frank Keegan hung onto third until Jamie Inch worked his way through the pack and challenged to take over third.

The 250cc short track final saw Hodges get the jump with Inch hot on his trail. Inch and Hodges diced it up with lead swaps for several laps till they came out wide together, and Hodges surged ahead to a comfortable lead.

"Flyin' Ian" Segedy owned the Open short track event, stretching a smooth lead over the competition. John Vanderkooi maneuvered up through the pack to second, followed by Ron Rall and Eric Thorla. Rall got by but felt a constant push from Vanderkooi, who in turn had Thorla on his rear wheel waiting for the mistake that didn't quite happen.

The Senior class saw action, too, as John Vanderkooi grabbed the lead, only to see the red flag come out. On the restart, Roger Chester pulled the holeshot with Vanderkooi charging until he took a hard tumble in turn three. On the second restart, Ron Rall, Vanderkooi and Chester hit the first turn in a clump. Rall got out ahead and Vanderkooi settled for a second.

The Open Knobby class saw Todd Perkins overtake Chester for the lead, while Dean Kitts moved up to secure a third.

The 50cc class had two heats of Mighty Midget competition. In heat one, Kyle Parker took advantage of lapped traffic for the win, fending off Danny Miller and Derick Espenshied. Justin Niedermier stretched an early lead, followed by Larry Rust and Troy Coventry. Dustin Kitts made a successful pass to third but suffered bike problems before the finish line.

In the final, Niedermier moved out ahead of the pack and proceeded to lap all but the first two riders. Larry Rust, in a repeat of the heat, held onto second, and Mike Miller overtook Dustin Kitts for a temporary third until Kitts regained the position.

Results

OPEN ST: 1. Ian Segedy; 2. Ron Rall; 3. Jerry Vanderkooi; 4. Eric Thorla; 5. Jack Bartram.
OPEN KNOBBY: 1. Todd Perkins; 2. Roger Chester; 3. Dean Kitts.
250 ST: 1. Tom Hodges; 2. Jamie Inch; 3. Glenn Reeb; 4. David Arnold.
250 KNOBBY: 1. Marcus Sellards; 2. Tom Hodges; 3. Jamie Inch; 4. Frank Keegan.
125 KNOBBY: 1. Marcus Sellards; 2. Tim Conti; 3. Tandy Friley; 4. John Ren.
80 KNOBBY: 1. Bryan Bellenger; 2. Chad Zimmer; 3. Shawn Locke.
60/80 ST: 1. Shawn Thomas; 2. Justin Niedermier; 3. Brian Reeb.
50: 1. Justin Niedermier; 2. Larry Rust; 3. Dustin Kitts; 4. Mike Miller.
SR: 1. Ron Rall; 2. John Vanderkooi; 3. Roger Chester.
CONVERSION: 1. Dale Sondles.
SPDWY: 1. Brian Gailey; 2. Frank Reynolds; 3. Scott Brown; 4. Randy Gutshall; 5. Calvin Smith.

Willy Musgrave won the Pro class at Perris Raceway's Super Saturday MX.

Olson unstoppable at Perris MX

By Tony Alessi and Kim Scott

PERRIS, CA, SEPT. 8
Alan Olson, Jody Weisel and George Kohler took home the top three spots in the Old Timer Expert class at the GFI Super Saturday MX at Perris Raceway.

Olson, grabbed the holeshot at the start of the first moto and quickly disappeared. All eyes were on the battle for second between Weisel and Kohler and the two teammates exchanged the position too many times to count before Kohler dropped back with vision problems near the end of the moto.

Olson again repeated his first moto display of class domination and even had time for a pit stop. Weisel rode harder than ever in the second round, pounding Kohler the entire length of the moto and finishing second to Olson.

Jerry Jetton won the first 125cc Novice moto with a big lead over Joe DeGano and Shawn Howard. Kris Hawk led the second moto but crashed on the second lap, taking first moto winner Jetton with him. DeGano took the lead and held it to the last lap where Howard made his move, capitalizing on Degano's energy loss, and went on to win both the moto and the overall honors.

Results

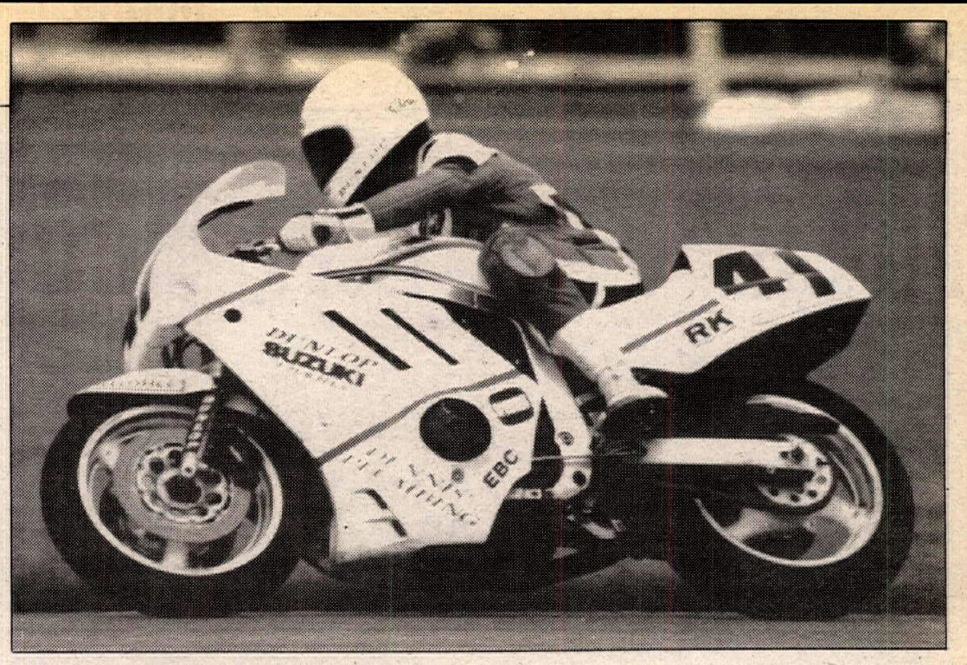
50 STK D-1: 1. Vance Freeman (Yam); 2. Eric Wood (Yam); 3. Danny Wilson (Yam); 4. Ross Garcia (Yam); 5. Roland Rodriquez (Yam).
50 STK D-2: 1. Ben Stuelke; 2. Daniel Legg (Yam); 3. Chad Gaumer (Yam); 4. Heather Matthews (Yam); 5. Scott Howe (Yam).
50 FIRST TIMERS: 1. Brandon Maynard (Yam); 2. Martin Calva, Jr. (Yam).
80 BEG: 1. Dan Baron (Kaw); 2. Arrie Prins (Kaw); 3. Danny Carlson (Kaw).
125 BEG: 1. Steve Norman (Yam); 2. Mike Koger; 3. Chris Decannett (Hon); 4. Sheryl Fedorow (Yam); 5. Jared Morris (Hon).
125 NOV: 1. Shawn Howard (Hon); 2. Joe Degaro (Suz); 3. Jerry Jetton (Suz); 4. Kris Hawk (Hon).
125 INT: 1. Dirk Patao (Kaw); 2. Freddie Villagra (Suz).
250 BEG: 1. C.T. Falk (Yam); 2. Curtis Dupuis (Yam).
250 NOV: 1. Mike Akin (Yam); 2. Tim Olson (Yam); 3. Greg Hull (Kaw).
250 INT: 1. Ryan Johnson (Hon).
500 INT: 1. Brett Stubb (Kaw); 2. Michael Dougherty (ATK).
COMB PRO: 1. Willy Musgrave (ATK); 2. Craig Davis (Suz); 3. Val Tamietti (Hon); 4. Brent Wallingsford (Kaw).
VET NOV: 1. Steve Banning (Hon); 2. Jack Phinn (Kaw); 3. Nick Wukmir (Yam); 4. Greg Whitfield (Hon); 5. Bob Barnett (Yam).
VET INT: 1. J.S. Hanson (Hon); 2. Joel Seals (Suz); 3. George Kohler (Suz); 4. Marc Crosby (Yam); 5. Donald Leib (Kaw).
25-29 BEG: 1. Richard Worley (Yam); 2. Dan McClintock (Yam); 3. Mike Brown (Hus); 4. Danny Pabon (Hon); 5. John Morio (ATK).
25-29 NOV: 1. Eric Anderson (Kaw).
25-29 INT:1. Mike Sougherty (ATK).
OT: 1. Alan Olson (Hon); 2. Jody Weisel (Yam); 3. Ron Way (Hon); 4. Bengt Johonsson (Hon); 5. Steve Jennings (ATK).

Bucyrus Half Mile to Morehead

By T.L. Coss

BUCYRUS, OH, SEPT. 3
Steve Morehead and George Roeder slugged it out in the loose stuff in the Expert final of the Best of Ohio Summer Series Bucyrus Half Mile. Morehead and Darrin Erichsen came off the line first and appeared to be leaving traffic behind until Roeder high-lined a hard charge past Erichsen to take on the "Findlay Flyer." Roeder took over the lead and pulled away, only to be challenged and overtaken by Morehead, who was riding an even higher line. Wheel-to-wheel and elbow-to-elbow the two went at it, all the way to the checkered flag which Morehead saw just a bike length sooner thatn Roeder.

The Junior main saw Scott Sehl pull the holeshot, but Cory Jerew shot around the outside to take the lead, with Phil Palmer and James Hart then pressuring Sehl and getting by as Greg Sims and Steve Beattie pushed their way forward to fourth and fifth. Palmer closed the gap and made the charge for first but got sideways. Then he chose a high line that worked and he captured the lead for keeps.



Florida's Danny Roberts won the Expert Unlimited Grand Prix and Solo GTO classes in AMA/CCS road race action at Georgia's Roebling Road Raceway.

Robert Tripp got off the line first in the Pro-Am final with Pat Buchanan and David Morgan ganging up behind. Buchanan charged inside to take the lead and Morgan followed suit dropping Tripp to third. Scott Barrett also scooted by Tripp to take over third. Once in the lead, Buchanan stayed there to take the win.

Results

EX: 1. Steve Morehead (H-D); 2. George Roeder II (H-D); 3. Darrin Erichsen (H-D); 4. Chance Darling (H-D); 5. David Rayburn (H-D).
JR: 1. Phil Palmer (Rtx); 2. Cory Jerew (H-D); 3. James Hart (Rtx); 4. Steve Beattie (H-D); 5. Greg Sims (H-D).
PRO-AM: 1. Pat Buchanan; 2. Scott Barrett (Rtx); 3. David Morgan; 4. Dan Martin (H-D); 5. Scott Morris (H-D).
SR: 1. Ron Rall (Rtx); 2. Dan Crawford (Rtx); 3. Steve Wilson (W-R); 4. Kirby Rayment (Hon); 5. Larry Hodges (Yam).
OPEN: 1. Robert Tripp (H-D); 2. Paul Morgan (W-R); 3. Dan Martin (H-D); 4. Dan Crawford (Rtx); 5. Doug Beattie (H-D).
500: 1. Tommy Hayden (Rtx); 2. Michael Warner (H-D); 3. Paul Morgan III (Yam); 4. Matt Schoonover (H-D); 5. Eric Thorla (Rtx).
250: 1. Tommy Hayden (Yam); 2. Doug Beattie (Yam); 3. Mike Moore (Kaw); 4. Chris Hart (Hon); 5. Andrew Meise (Hon).
125: 1. Nicky Hayden (Yam); 2. Chris HArt (Hon); 3. Jenny Hayden (Yam); 4. Kurt Narnor (Yam); 5.Harvey Hites (Yam).
80: 1. Nicky Hayden (Yam); 2. Jenny Hayden (Yam); 3. Shawn Thomas (Yam); 4. Casey Hamilton (Yam).
60: 1. Jenny Hayden (Kaw); 2. Justin Niedermier (Kaw); 3. Kimberly Smith (Hon).
50: 1. K.C. Knödel (Mot); 2. Justin Niedermier (Yam); 3. Kimberly Smith (Yam); 4. Casey Hamilton (Yam); 5. Dustin Kitts (Itj).

Roberts roasts Roebling Road RR

By Bob Applegate

FAULKVILLE, GA, SEPT. 1-2
Saturday's Solo GTO race at Roebling Road proved to be a good warm-up for West Palm Beach Florida rider Danny Roberts as he took the win over some of the East Coast's hottest dogs.

Fellow Florida rider John Dierckx on a Suzuki GSXR1100 led off followed by Mid-Atlantic region rider Bruce Nield on a Honda RC30 and Summit Point expert Glenn Szarek on a GSXR750. The trio immediately dipped below the one-minute 20-second mark. Roberts, meanwhile, utilized the excellent weather and fast track conditions to move through the pack from his fifth-row starting position up into third place by lap three.

Roberts took the lead on lap five, moving around Nield and Dierckx in one swoop. Dierckx, the only other rider with the horsepower, repassed Roberts on lap 11. He was then shadowed by Roberts until he was repassed on lap 17 to hold on for the win.

Sunday afternoon saw the $1000 Expert Unlimited GP race. With no tire reps at this event, most everyone had cooked their tires and were riding on determination and luck.

At the drop of the green flag, Roberts rocketed from his starting spot on row five into the lead and never looked back. With Nield nailing down second and Dierckx third, the battle was for fourth through 10th. That turned into a scrap between Mark Foster, Glenn Szarek, John Choate, Mike Fitzpatrick, Tripp Nobles and Steve Harrison. Baltimore's Szarek proved to be an ironman on his FZR600 up against a field of 750s and 1100s, finishing a hard-earned fifth overall. During the course of the race both Roberts and Nield got down into low 1:17s, turning in some of the fastest times of the weekend.

Novice racing at Roebling continues to be some of the hottest in the land with Orlando, Florida's Lee Pounders taking five wins, two on his Outdoor Exposure Sign-sponsored GSXR750 and three on a Honda CBR600.

Twins racing keeps getting better in the South and this weekend provided an incredibly varied field of equipment with the battle coming down to Clarke Ohrstrom on a 1000cc Buell against Greg Flagg on a very potent Kawasaki EX500. The two swapped positions five times in eight laps with the final nod going to Ohrstrom after pulling off a daring inside pass in turn one on the last lap to win the Lightweight Supertwins class.

Results

NOV M/W GP: 1. Lee Pounders (Hon); 2. Robert Haines (Yam); 3. Rodney Hull (Yam); 4. Timothy Trimble (Yam); 5. Drew Lincoln (Hon).
EX M/W GP: 1. Mark Long (Yam); 2. Michael Barnes (Yam); 3. Glenn Sxarek (Yam); 4. Bruce Nield (Duc); 5. William Luke (Yam).
NOV L/W GP: 1. Robin Nicholas (Yam); 2. Michael Moore (Yam); 3. Prapancha Soekoro (Yam); 4. Peter Villacard (Kaw0; 5. Edward Borowy (Hon).
EX L/W GP: 1. Pat O'Leary (Yam); 2. Jimmy Mosley (Yam); 3. Bob Bossardet (Yam); 4. James Lombardo (Rtx); 5. Bob Newby (Yam).
EX U/L GP: 1. Danny Roberts (Suz); 2. Bruce Nield (Hon); 3. Mark Foster (Yam); 4. Jean Dierickx (Suz); 5. Glenn Sxarek (Yam).
NOV M/W S/BK: 1. Lee Pounders (Hon); 2. Robert Haines (Yam); 3. Timothy Trimble (Yam); 4. Pat Sheridan (Hon); 5. Kevin Murphy (Kaw).
EX M/W S/BK: 1. Glenn Szarek (Yam); 2. John Choate III (Yam); 3. Bruce Nield (Duc); 4. Michael Barnes (Yam); 5. Danny Roberts (Yam).
NOV L/W S/BK: 1. Kenneth McIntyre; 2. Michael Moore (Yam); 3. Richard Champion (FZR); 4. Clayton Blanchard Jr. (Yam); 5. Kenneth Abbott (Yam).
EX L/W S/BK: 1. Bob Bassardet (Yam); 2. James Lombardo (Rtx); 3. Greg Flagg (Kaw); 4. Jimmy Mosley (Yam); 5. Jack Dupree (Yam).
NOV H/W S/BK: 1. Lee Pounders (Suz); 2. Wayne Lee (Suz); 3. Robert Haines (Yam); 4. Jeffrey Betton (Suz).
EX H/W S/BK: 1. Bruce Nield (Hon); 2. Mark Foster (Yam); 3. Jean Bierickx (Suz); 4. Glenn Szarek (Suz); 5. John Choate III (Yam).
EX U/L S/SPRT: 1. Jose Soares (Suz); 2. Mark Schindler (Suz); 3. Tom Christian (Suz).
NOV L/W S/SPRT: 1. Michael Moore (Yam); 2. Kenneth McIntyre; 3. Gary Michaud (Yam); 4. Prapancha Soekoro (Yam); 5. Richard Champion (FZR).
EX L/W S/SPRT: 1. Jimmy Mosley (Yam); 2. Matt Jungklaus (Yam); 3. William Shanaman (Yam).
NOV H/W S/SPRT: 1. Lee Pounders (Suz); 2. Robert Haines (Yam); 3. Tracy Thomason (Suz); 4. Wayne Lee (Suz); 5. Jeffrey Betton (Suz).
EX H/W S/SPRT: 1. Glenn Szarek (Suz); 2. Jose Soares (Suz); 3. Michael Fitzpatrick (Kaw); 4. William Luke (Yam); 5. Rob Lacombe (Kaw).
NOV M/W S/SPRT: 1. Robert Haines (Yam); 2. Rodney hull (Yam); 3. Pat Sheridan (Hon); 4. Drew Lincoln (Hon); 5. Jason Clay (Hon).
EX M/W S/SPRT: 1. Michael Barnes (Yam); 2. Steve Seaborn (Yam); 3. William Luke (Yam); 4. Paul Youngman III (Yam); 5. Bob Newby (Yam).
NOV L/W S/TW: 1. Rich Sturges (Kaw); 2. Arthur Staples (Duc); 3. Ronnie Holloman (Hon); 4. Jerry Story (Cag); 5. Roger Quillen (Duc).
EX L/W S/TW: 1. Clarke Ohrstrom (Bue); 2. Greg Flagg (Kaw); 3. Tom Hines (Duc); 4. William Atkinson (Hon); 5. Russell Quarterman (Duc).
EX H/W S/TW: 1. Andrew Nobles III (H-D); 2. Bruce Nield (Duc); 3. Greg Flagg (Kaw); 4. Clarke Ohrstrom (Bue); 5. William Atkinson (Hon).
NOV H/W S/TW: 1. Rich Sturges (Kaw); 2. Roger Quillen (Duc); 3. Arthur Staples (Duc); 4. Ronnie Holloman (Hon); 5. Robert Wehland (H-D).
EX U.S. TW/SPRT: 1. Andrew Nobles III (H-D); 2. Michael Kraft (H-D); 3. Clarke Ohrstrom (Bue); 4. Bruce Nield (H-D); 5. Matthew Schneider (H-D).
NOV SPTSMN: 1. Rich Sturges (Kaw); 2. James Williams (Yam); 3. Derek Nichols (Yam); 4. Orren Burgess (Yam); 5. David Roberts Jr. (Yam).
EX SPTSMN: 1. James Lombardo (Rtx); 2. Bob Newby (Yam); 3. Tim Morris (Hon); 4. John Lowman (Yam); 5. Gary Stumm (Yam).
SOLO GTO: 1. Danny Roberts (Suz); 2. John Dierickx (Suz); 3. Bruce Nield (Hon); 4. Glenn Szarek (Suz); 5. Tracy Thomason (Suz).
SOLO GTU: 1. Lee Pounders (Hon); 2. Paul Youngman III (Yam); 3. Jeffrey Koller (Yam); 4. William Luke (Yam); 5. Kevin Murphy (Kaw).

Green doubles at Amago YSR RR

By Dave Vinson

LAKE HENSHAW, CA, SEPT. 2
Mike Green made a clean sweep of the day by winning both heats of the Pro Stock class and both heats of the Pro Modified class at Amago Raceway.

Ted Garcia grabbed the holeshot in heat one of the Beginner Stock class, followed closely by Tom Okerlund and John Manriques. Garcia and Okerlund slowly began to pull away from Manriquez as Yvette Mookini moved in. Several laps later, Okerlund made his move and passed Garcia to take the lead, and then Mookini slipped past Manriquez to grab third. Okerlund extended his lead as the laps wore on. Mookini was gaining on Garcia but time ran out and she had to settle for third. Garcia took second and Okerlund was the winner.

The second moto saw Garcia first off the line again, but this time Mookini was second with Okerlund third. Manriquez challenged Okerlund for third and soon passed, but

LOCAL EVENTS

Tony Ferragamo (54) grabbed the holeshot in both 125cc Novice class motos at L.A. County Raceway and finished second overall behind David Chase (88).

Okerlund didn't give up and soon slipped under Manriquez to retake third. Mookini and Okerlund were gaining ground on Garcia and on the last lap both passed him to take over first and second. Moonkini held on to finish first, with Okerlund second and Garcia third. Okerlund was the overall winner.

Results

BEG STK: 1. Tom Okerlund (Yam); 2. Yvette Mookini (Yam); 3. Ted Garcia (Yam); 4. John Manriquez (Yam); 5. Kevin Wood (Yam).

BEG MOD: 1. John Rincon (Yam); 2. Kevin Cox (Yam); 3. Tom Meyer (Yam); 4. Brian Hutchison (Yam); 5. Chris Castillo (Yam).

AM MOD: 1. Carlo Oddo (Yam).

PRO STK: 1. Mike Green (Yam); 2. Mark Long (Yam); 3. Ritchie Thorp (Yam); 4. Hugh March (Yam).

PRO MOD: 1. Mike Green (Yam); 2. Jamie Riker (Yam); 3. Scott Hoffman (Yam); 4. Frank Lapina (Yam); 5. Hugh March (Yam).

Newell dusts Coffee Creek HS

By Arlene Hejlek

CANTON, MO, SEPT. 9

Tim Newell extended his series points lead in the Missouri Hare Scrambles Series with his win at the Coffee Creek Hare Scrambles.

Newell's assault began from second position in the dust stirred up by Rusty Reynaud. Reynaud pulled off to fix a flat tire after the second lap and Newell took over the lead, followed by Chris Caplinger. These two went around two more times and then Newell handed the lead to Caplinger when he pitted to fuel. Newell then followed Caplinger's dust for the next three laps on the seven-mile course, but a half mile from the finish Newell dove inside at a corner and passed Caplinger while he was overtaking a lapped rider.

A little way back from the front-runners was a five-rider battle for third place that wasn't sorted out until the last lap. Jerry Hemann stuffed ahead of Jim Stanfield to take third. Steve Leivan took fourth over Leigh Letellier and Dwane Miinch dropped off the pace after a hard get-off in the thick dust.

The 250cc class winner was also decided on the last lap after an intense battle between John Yarnell and Allen Haynes. When Haynes suffered a flat tire, Yarnell turned on the gas and topped the class, finishing seventh overall.

In the Open class, Chad Busenback pulled the holeshot and rode unchallenged for the class win and a top 10 overall finish.

Buddy Rigg pulled the holeshot in the 125cc class, but was eclipsed by Chris Nesbitt who went to the front and stayed there the whole two hours.

Results

O/A: 1. Tim Newell (Hon); 2. Chris Caplinger (Yam); 3. Jerry Hemann (Yam); 4. Jim Stanfield (Kaw); 5. Steve Leivan (Kaw).

EX: 1. Chris Caplinger (Yam); 2. Jerry Hemann (Yam); 3. Jim Stanfield (Kaw); 4. Steve Leivan (Kaw); 5. Leigh Letellier (KTM).

OPEN: 1. Chad Busenbark (Yam); 2. Jay Williams (Kaw); 3. Mitchell Deimund (Hon); 4. Mike Turpin (ATK); 5. Ed LaChance (Hon).

250: 1. John Yarnell (Suz); 2. Allen Haynes (Yam); 3. Kevin Borts (Kaw); 4. Jeff Richardson (Hon); 5. Ralph Gerding (Hon).

200: 1. Al Hejlek (Kaw); 2. Keith Kibort (Kaw); 3. David Dellingham (Kaw); 4. Brett Fine (Kaw); 5. Randy Wilson (Kaw).

125: 1. Chris Nesbitt (Kaw); 2. Chris Huff (Hon); 3. Randy Jones (Hon); 4. Shawn Taylor (Hon); 5. Richie Caviness (Kaw).

4-STRK: 1. John Vanek (Hon); 2. Mike Heavens (Suz); 3. Steve Underwood (HSB); 4. Cornell Porter (Hon); 5. Donald St. John (Yam).

SR: 1. Bob Caplinger (ATK); 2. Roger LeRette (Yam); 3. Rick Carpenter (Suz); 4. Rick Whelove (KTM); 5. Terry Wisecup (Kaw).

S/SR: 1. Paul Taylor (Hon); 2. Binney Adams (Kaw); 3. Jim Letellier (KTM).

VINT: 1. Dave Dowdy (Hon).

JR: 1. Jason Counts (Kaw); 2. Mike Liechti (Suz); 3. David Wilfong (Hon).

BEG: 1. Chris Beeler (Yam); 2. John Hopkins (Hon); 3. James Elsen (Suz); 4. Don Allen (Yam); 5. David Maestres (Yam).

Chase tops LACR Motocross

By Tony Alessi and Kim Scott

PALMDALE, CA, SEPT. 7

David Chase scored the overall victory in the 125cc Novice class after first moto winner Jason Reed and runner-up Tony Ferragamo both crashed in the second moto during the CRC Friday Night Series at Los Angeles County Raceway.

Tony Ferragamo holeshot the first 125cc Novice moto but Jason Reed wasted no time tracking down Ferragamo and passing for the lead. Reed eventually pulled away for the win with Ferragamo second followed by Cory Austin, Chase and Garey Carlson.

Ferragamo pulled the holeshot again in the second moto. First moto winner Jason Reed crashed in the first turn and Ferragamo opened up a three-second advantage over Chase, Eric Wasnea and Austin. At the halfway point, both Ferragamo and Austin crashed leaving Chase in the lead, followed by Aaron Wasnea. Chase went on to win while Wasnea held off a last-lap charge by Ferragamo.

Daren Hoeft, Dustin Evans and Tony Sulek battled in the Pro class. Sulek emerged the winner after heavy dicing with first moto winner Hoeft and hard charging Dustin Evans in moto number two.

Ron Hupfield and Dean Jennings went at it all night in the Vet Novice class with Hupfield winning the first moto and Jennings coming back to win the second moto. Tom Errsdorf rode to a pair of third place finishes to finish third overall behind Hupfield and Jennings.

Results

80 BEG: 1. Joe Hicks Jr. (Kaw); 2. Bobby Killian (KTM); 3. Dean Bejarano (Kaw); 4. Kenneth Reed (Kaw); 5. Steven Carmen (Kaw).

80 NOV: 1. Scott Reed (Kaw); 2. Jeremy Blaha (Suz).

80 INT: 1. Jason Reed (Suz).

125 BEG: 1. Scott Wilson (Hon); 2. Nick Petralia (Suz); 3. Josh Stevens (Hon); 4. Justin Leeds (Hon); 5. Anthony Bejarmo (Kaw).

125 NOV: 1. David Chase (Kaw); 2. Tony Ferragamo (Hon); 3. Jason Reed (Suz); 4. Garey Carlson (Kaw); 5. Aaron Wasnea (Kaw).

125 INT: 1. Jason Simmons (Kaw); 2. David Guilsizer (Suz); 3. Tony Qualls (Kaw).

125 PRO: 1. Dustin Evans (Suz); 2. Troy Welty (Suz); 3. Mike Dunlap (Hon).

250 BEG: 1. Mickey Davis (Hon); 2. Mike Giguere (Yam); 3. Curt Gideon (Hon); 4. Nathan Evans (Yam); 5. David Martinez (Yam).

250 NOV: 1. Joe Haman (Suz); 2. David Barlow (Kaw); 3. Jared Jacobsmeyer (Yam); 4. Mike Gilmore (Kaw); 5. Bill Paul (Yam).

250 INT: 1. Eddie David (Hon); 2. Joel Torasky (Kaw); 3. Will Dickson (Yam); 4. Roger Hensley (Suz).

250 PRO: 1. Tony Sulek (Yam).

500 BEG: 1. Jeff Pauldine (Hon); 2. Richard Martinez (Yam).

500 NOV: 1. Mark Stratton (Hon); 2. Kenny Safford (Hon).

500 INT: 1. Mike Blair (Hon).

500 PRO: 1. Tim Winslow (Hon).

JR VET BEG: 1. John Rogers (Yam); 2. Sahar Adi (Suz); 3. John Tucker (Hon); 4. Forest Wasson (Kaw); 5. Lior Verner (Hon).

JR VET NOV: 1. Tim Wahlberg (Kaw); 2. Kenny Safford (Hon); 3. Greg Clark (Kaw); 4. Dermot Carroll (Yam).

JR VET INT: 1. Cliff Fredericks (Kaw); 2. Richard Bunch (Kaw); 3. Mark Horton (Hon).

VET BEG: 1. Ethan Selzer (Hon); 2. Dennis Terry (Hon); 3. Darrell Smith (Kaw); 4. Mike Haines (Suz); 5. Kelly Nogy (Hon).

VET NOV: 1. Dean Jennings (Kaw); 2. Ron Hupfield (Kaw); 3. Tom Ernsdorf (Suz); 4. Jeff Minderhost (Hon).

VET INT: 1. Russell Reilly (Kaw).

SR BEG: 1. Dennis Patterson (Kaw).

SR EX: 1. Bob Milner (Hon).

Ledbetter leaves 'em at Carlsbad ST

By Greg Booth

CARLSBAD, CA, SEPT. 1

Mark Ledbetter, riding an immaculately prepared Kawasaki, took top honors in the combined Amateur/Expert 250cc main at the Carlsbad Short Track.

Joey Winston got the holeshot and was closely dogged by Ledbetter. Winston stayed on the groove while Ledbetter rode high with reckless abandon. Ledbetter passed Winston on the outside and ran away with the victory. Winston maintained second while Mark Aragon, who won the first heat, finished third.

In the Open Expert class, Loren Bjorkman, on his Shell Thuet prepared Yamaha, had an undefeated evening, capping the night off with the main event win. The start of the main saw Jim Kessler taking the holeshot followed closely by Summer Series points leader Skip Christy and Bjorkman. The three battled and banged side-by-side until Kessler slid out and Christy couldn't avoid him. Bjorkman miraculously missed the pileup. The restart gave Bjorkman the lead which he held to the checkered flag followed by Christy and Kessler.

Results

250: 1. Mark Ledbetter (Kaw); 2. Joey Winston (Hon); 3. Mark Aragon (C-A); 4. Ron Brankov (Yam); 5. Aron Ellis (Bul).

VET: 1. Skip Christy (Yam); 2. Nigel Gale (H-D); 3. Dennis Voll (Kaw); 4. George Snodgrass (Yam); 5. Peter Mayforth (Yam).

500 JR: 1. Tyson Voll (Yam); 2. Peter Mayforth (Yam); 3. Joey Winston (Yam); 4. Brian Cassidy (Yam).

OPEN EX: 1. Loren Bjorkman (Yam); 2. Skip Christy ((Yam)) 3. Jim Kessler (Yam); 4. Mark Aragon (C-A); 5. Nigel Gale (H-D).

Terry Sims leads Craig Connor in the Open Expert class at the Labor Day 100.

Sims sails at Labor Day 100

By Michael Ross

ARIPINE, AZ, SEPT. 2

Terry Sims stunned the American Desert Racing Association Sunday with his sizzling overall win at the 13th Annual Labor Day 100. Clocking an incredible 52.11 mph average for 93 miles. Sims posted the fastest race time recorded in four years of ADRA racing.

Following Sims home in second place was Garth Sweetland. Although highly critical of the wide open course and almost continuous top speed, Sweetland posted the quickest lap of the race at 52.82 mph. Losing by a scant 49 seconds, Sweetland called the course ridiculous.

"Next time I'll bring a street bike," joked Sweetland. "This course was too fast. Somebody's going to get hurt. We're running faster than at Baja. I never let off the whole last lap but Sims just walked all over me on the straight."

Third overall, seven minutes and nine seconds behind Sweetland, came series points leader Jeff Darland. Darland crashed on the first lap and tore the brake pedal off his borrowed bike. Jeff managed to find another one during his pit stop. "At the 20-mile mark I just passed number 12 (Sims) then slid out in a right-hander," reported Darland after the race. "It ripped off the rear brake but Lee Avalos gave me the part I needed and pumped the brake back up." Darland also thanked Bob Russell for the use of his bike and sponsors Sunnyslope Honda and Maxim Power.

Ken Kozlik diced briefly with Darland during the second lap and managed to finish fourth overall, 47.77 mph ahead of Craig Connor. Connor, 17, crashed out on the first lap but managed to remount and finish the race.

Results

OPEN EX: 1. Terry Sims (Hon); 2. Garth Sweetland (ATK); 3. Jeff Darland (Hon); 4. Ken Kozlik (Kaw); 5. Craig Connor (KTM).

OPEN AM: 1. John Haggard (Hon); 2. Shawn Schmitz (Hon); 3. Tim Bergstrom (Hon); 4. George Hartsock (Yam); 5. Brian Sinclair (Hon).

200 AM: 1. Bob Henderson (Hon); 2. John Christiansen (Hon); 3. Mike Hillenbrand (Kaw).

28+ EX: 1. Bob Bittner (KTM).

38+ EX: 1. Rob Beggs (KTM); 2. Elton Ongley; 3. Mike Harris (Hon).

30+ AM: 1. Steve Weinstein (Hon); 2. Marty Mihay (Kaw).

30+ NOV: 1. Stephen Gonzalez (Yam); 2. Dan Berlyn (Hon); 3. Larry Besman (Kaw); 4. Joe Struttmann (Yam); 5. Mike Furr (ATK).

40+ NOV: 1. Ken Asch (Yam); 2. Ken Zellitti (ATK); 3. Iden Wilken; 4. Ed Hooper (Yam); 5. Tony Freeman (Hon).

45+: 1. Glen Webb Jr. (KTM); 2. Al Forrbes (Yam).

50+ SR: 1. Joe Prosser (KTM); 2. Lee Balicki (KTM); 3. Delbert Garst (KTM).

OPEN NOV: 1. Robert Gentsch (Hon); 2. Dave Hoing (Hon); 3. Kasey Crook (KTM); 4. Karl Deines (Hon).

250 NOV: 1. Hank LaPorte (Hon); 2. William Rowe (Hon); 3. Michael Harris (Yam); 4. Rocky Robling (Hon).

200 NOV: 1. Darren Lantz (Yam); 2. Richard Ramos (Hon); 3. Steve Richards (Kaw); 4. Jason Suarez (Hon); 5. Joseph Giardina (Suz).

4-STRK NOV: 1. Jim Dobosz (HOn).

DINO C: 1. Greg Tomko (Hus); 2. Michael Bull (Hon); 3. Ron Smith (Hon); 4. David Finney (Hon); 5. James Mode (Hus).

DINO V: 1. Alan Bennett (Yam); 2. Robert Neill (Mai); 3. Joel Kohlbrecher (Suz).

OPEN BEG: 1. William Roberts (Hus); 2. Brian Roberts (Yam); 3. Jack Marek; 4. David Marlar (Hon).

250 BEG: 1. Daniel Hayes (Yam); 2. Jeff Sanders (Hon); 3. Rick Holley (Suz); 4. Pernell Yazzie (Hon); 5. Terry Jonon (Yam).

200 BEG: 1. Craig Deck (Kaw); 2. Chris Freedman (KTM); 3. Ben Tyminski (KTM); 4. Jeff Hill (Yam); 5. Paul Mueller (Yam).

LADIES: 1. Lillie Sweetland (Kaw); 2. Cyndy Powers (KTM).

SPTSMN FUN RACER: 1. Lee Henry (Kaw); 2. Eric Monroe (KTM); 3. Tim Widener (Yam); 4. Don Bull (Hon); 5. Donavan Walkes (Yam).

Rutshow parties at Spring Creek Motocross

By Rolfe Otterness

MILLVILLE, MN, SEPT. 2

Craig Rutshow celebrated his 36th birthday by taking the overall win in the Veteran A class at the Spring Creek MX track. This was the first win in quite some time for Rutschow and he topped Aldo Cirelli's 1-2 score with a last lap pass in the second moto for a 2-1 victory. Other notable rides turned in among the 367 entries were Mickey Mickelson's win in the Open A class, Rob Engstrom in the 125cc A class and Lance Cunningham in the Mini Pee Wees.

Mike Atkinson continued his mastery of the Mini Senior class as he powered to wins in both motos. Jamie Farendholz was running strong in second in the first moto, but Jim Povolny, Jr. got by in the sandwash on the last lap. In the second moto, the order read the same as Atkinson took an easy win over Povolny and Farendholz.

Cory Keeney pushed into the lead in the first 250cc A moto with Rob Engstrom and David Niemi trailing. Gary Bronikowski moved up to battle with Engstrom and they dropped Keeney to third on the third lap. Engstrom held the lead over Bronikowski until the last lap when he crashed in the sand after an encounter with a lapped rider. Bronikowski, Keeney, Dan Luloff, Niemi and Chris Bense filled the top five positions.

The Bronikowski-Engstrom battle resumed in the second moto with Bronikowski holding on to the lead for the first three laps. Unfortunately, the piston in his Suzuki expired suddenly giving Engstrom an easy romp to the win. Keeney cruised in for second and the overall honors with Niemi, Bense and Luloff following him across the finish line.

Pat Donaho rounded the first turn sweeper in front of the pack of 125cc A riders and led the first lap of the first moto. Rob Engstrom and Troy Dollansky were keeping pace with him and they both got by Donaho on the second lap when he had a slight mishap. Dollansky took over the lead with Engstrom and Brandon Backes following in close formation. For several laps Dollansky held off Engstrom, but Engstrom prevailed at the flag. Backes was third over Luloff and Jeff Colbert.

Donaho rocketed into the lead once again in the next moto but Engstrom passed on the first lap to take over command of the race. Donaho crashed and fell well back in the pack and Chris Bensen took over second while Eric Metzger and Colbert engaged in a battle for third. Colbert got by late in the moto and held on. Dollansky came back from a crash to nab fifth behind Metzger.

Results

MINI P/W: 1. Lance Cunningham; 2. Mike Kann; 3. Ryan Broughton; 4. Ryan Megaw.

MINI JR: 1. Shawn Wehlage; 2. Shelly Kann; 3. Lance Cunningham; 4. Aaron Huppert.

MINI SR: 1. Mike Atkinson; 2. James Povolny; 3. Jamie Farendholz; 4. Robby Kendall.

YTH: 1. Mike Atkinson; 2. Aaron Carlson; 3. Jason Kempel; 4. Matt Hills.

OVER 25: 1. Don Bonnicksen; 2. Alan Stevensen; 3. Scott Steinle; 4. Jeff Sorensen.

VET C: 1. Robert Pangerl; 2. Bruce Constenius; 3. Roger Shellhammer; 4. Jackl Kann.

VET A: 1. Craig Rutschow; 2. Aldo Cirelli; 3. Mike McNeil; 4. Randy Nagel.

SR: 1. John Alford; 2. Roger Niedzielski; 3. Tom Clark.

125 C D-1: 1. Unknown; 2. Jason McBarth; 3. David Supan; 4. Scott Bauer.

125 C D-2: 1. Mike Heggen; 2. Jeremy Illg; 3. Marty Branhaw; 4. Billy Tilford.

125 C D-3: 1. Tim Gall; 2. Irving Geary; 3. Jeff VanHee; 4. Ross Thompson.

125 B: 1. Brian Taylor; 2. Aaron Carlson; 3. Doug Gross; 4. Robert Weyenberg.

125 A: 1. Robbie Engstrom; 2. Troy Dollansky; 3. Jeff Colbert; 4. Chris Bense.

250 C D-1: 1. Brian Steffen; 2. Ron Grundhauser; 3. James Povolny; 4. Justin Altman.

250 C D-2: 1. Jeff Beaver; 2. Robert Hanson; 3. Brandon Stovern; 4. Bruce Constenius.

250 B: 1. Craig Schwartz; 2. David Weseman; 3. Randy Rengsdorf; 4. Darren Chelin.

250 A: 1. Cory Keeney; 2. David Niemi; 3. Dan Luloff; 4. Chris Bense.

OPEN C: 1. Mike Doughtey; 2. Brent Herber; 3. Jody Gjemse; 4. Shawn Lewis.

OPEN A: 1. Mickey Mickelson; 2. Jeff Sorensen; 3. Mike Nathe; 4. Rusty Sorensen.

Rob Majeski (5) led Kevin Varnes (98) and Mike Klopp across the finish line to win the Open Expert class at the Pine Grove short track.

Chuck Vaught (140) leads Chuck Parrish (6) and the rest of the 250cc class into the first turn at the NAME Fall Championship Series at Montrose MX Park.

Land lands Flinthills Trials win

By R.D. Allman

DOUGLASS, KS, SEPT. 8-9

Wichita's Rick Land topped the best trials riders in the Midwest by taking overall victory at the Flinthills Two-Day Trials. The event was rounds one and two of the eight round Central States Regional Trials Championship Series, sponsored by Yamaha of Oklahoma.

Land started off in a tight battle with Steve Clark on Saturday, but a couple of quick 5s by Clark put Land ahead to stay. Meanwhile ex-motocrosser David Black and Shan Moore waged an intense battle over third place in the 100-degree heat, with Black squeaking through by two points. On Sunday, Loy Burnett topped Land by one point but Land's first place on Saturday gave him the overall for the weekend.

In Amateur class action, Steve Nutch topped Rick Dunkin on Saturday by one point, but Dunkin came back Sunday to beat Nutch by four, taking the overall. Rick Rexroat rounded out the top three with consistent rides both days.

Bill Powell devastated the Novice competition on Saturday with an amazing ride, losing only three points all day. Matt Moore did the same on Sunday, dropping only five points, but the overall went to Powell with Moore second.

Results

SATURDAY

NOV: 1. Bill Powell (Yam); 2. Jim Nutch (Yam); 3. Bill Bennett (Bet); 4. Matt Moore (Yam); 5. Kenny Simnitt (Yam).

AM: 1. Steve Nutch (Yam); 2. Rick Dunkin (Yam); 3. Rick Rexroat (Mon); 4. Randy Cox (Fan); 5. Wayne Irick (Yam).

SR: 1. Jim Barrackman (Yam); 2. Dean Metsker (Fan); 3. Dale Reynolds (Yam); 4. Tom Moore (Yam); 5. John Wright (Fan).

INT: 1. Monte Bennett (Apr); 2. Marvin Edgington (Fan); 3. Dan Byl (Yam); 4. Larry Garrison (Bet); 5. Kent Irick (Yam).

EX: 1. Doug Boyd (Bet); 2. Jack Larmue (Fan); 3. Jim Westcott (Fan); 4. Dave Burris (Yam); 5. Dave Bolen (Bet).

MSTR: 1. Rick Land (Bet); 2. Steve Clark (Fan); 3. David Black (Bet); 4. Shan Moore (Fan); 5. Allen Guyot (Fan).

SUNDAY

NOV: 1. Matt Moore (Yam); 2. Bill Powell (Yam); 3. Jim Nutch (Yam); 4. Bill Bennett (Bet); 5. Butch Lathrom (Yam).

AM: 1. Rick Dunkin (Yam); 2. Steve Nutch (Yam); 3. Larry Moore (Yam); 4. Randy Cox (Fan); 5. Rick Rexroat (Mon).

SR: 1. Dean Mesker (Fan); 2. Tom Moore (Yam); 3. Dale Reynolds (Fan); 4. Jim Barrackman (Yam); 5. John Wright (Fan).

INT: 1. Don Fairchild (Yam); 2. Monte Bennett (Apr); 3. Bill Gilbert (SWM); 4. Dan Byl (Yam); 5. Larry Garrison (Bet).

EX: 1. Doug Boyd (Bet); 2. Jim Westcott (Fan); 3. Dave Bolen (Bet); 4. Jack Larmeu (Fan); 5. Dave Burris (Yam).

MSTR: 1. Loy Burnett (Bet); 2. Rick Land (Bet); 3. Steve Clark (Fan); 4. David Black (Bet); 5. Shan Moore (Fan).

Strong, Libhart show the way at Pine Grove ST

By Len Breech

PINE GROVE, PA, SEPT. 2

Making his first start ever at the Flying Dutchman M.C. Brian Strong took two closely contested wins in the Amateur portion of the final short track of the season for the club. Both wins were at the expense of Mike Hacker in the 200 and 250cc Amateur finals. Strong's bid to take a rare triple was thwarted by Phil Libhart's season-long domination of the 600cc Amateur class, as he again easily won the class, with Strong a distant fourth. The Expert portion was divided between two of D-6's premier racing names — the Varneses and Majeskis. With his brother Tom just now getting back into shape after his Daytona short track, Rob Majeski took the 600cc final, again. But the Varneses were somewhat of a surprise as it was not the more experienced Mike, who had just gotten back from Springfield that morning, but his cousin, Kevin, who took the 250cc Expert final. Varnes also finished a close second to Majeski in the 600cc final. He also finished second to Majeski in the Dash for Cash on his 250 at the end of the day.

Strong jumped out in front of Hacker, Randy Shank and Kevin Miller as the 200cc Expert/Amateur combined came off the second turn. Hacker went down on the third lap and rejoined half a lap behind the last rider. After stalking Strong for a few laps, Expert Shank took the lead coming off the second turn on the sixth lap and pulled away to a 10-yard margin over Strong.

Strong, again, led Hacker, Barry Eves, Todd Winsett and Ken Hackman in the 250cc Amateur final. Winsett moved into third on the second lap, with Hackman moving into fourth the following lap. Hacker took the lead coming off the fourth turn on the fourth lap, with Strong staying right behind his fellow Virginia rider. As they went down the curving back straight on the final lap, Strong saw his chance in the form of a lapped rider. He took the lead and just held off Hacker by a tire width for the win.

At the start of the Open Amateur, Phil Libhart got one of his better starts, second behind Tom Hannum, with Jamie Pujol and Strong behind them. When Libhart passed Hannum going down the back straight on the second lap, the top two were set.

Results

55: 1. Jacob Johnson (Yam); 2. Billy Stillwell (Yam); 3. Benjamin Miller (Yam); 4. Scott Morrison (Yam); 5. Eric Hackman (Yam).

65: 1. John Winsett (Kaw); 2. Mike McKee (Kaw).

85 EX: 1. Todd Winsett (Hon); 2. Ricky Winsett (Suz).

85 AM: 1. John Winsett (Suz); 2. Mike McKee (Kaw); 3. Chad Hackman (Suz); 4. Brody Miller (KTM); 5. Dillon Cava (Yam).

200 AM: 1. Brian Strong (Kaw); 2. Roy Miller (Cag); 3. Kevin Miller (Cag); 4. Mike Hacker (Hon); 5. Nick Arnent (Suz).

200 EX: 1. Randy Shank (Kaw); 2. Jeff Winsett (Hon); 3. Lew Woods (Suz).

250 AM: 1. Brian Strong (Kaw); 2. Mike Hacker (Hon); 3. Todd Winsett (Mai); 4. Ken Hackman (Yam); 5. Chuck Blessing (Yam).

250 EX: 1. Kevin Varnes (Yam); 2. Eric Sassaman (Yam); 3. Robert Miller (Yam); 4. Joe Bromley (Suz); 5. Ken Dahlin (Hon).

OPEN AM: 1. Phil Libhart (Yam); 2. Tom Hannum (H-D); 3. Jamie Pujol (Suz); 4. Brian Strong (W-R); 5. Paul Shoemaker (Yam).

SR: 1. Joe Heberling (Yam); 2. Jamie Pujol (Suz); 3. Luke Zechman (Yam); 4. Mark Crosby (C-A); 5. Robert Sassaman (Yam).

S/SR: 1. Luke Zechman (Yam); 2. Frank Bosak (Yam); 3. Wayne Franklin (Yam); 4. David Sassaman (Yam); 5. Dennis Miller (Yam).

OPEN EX: 1. Rob Majeski (H-D); 2. Kevin Varnes (Yam); 3. Mike Klopp (Hon); 4. Robert Miller (Rtx); 5. Tom Majeski (H-D).

DFC: 1. Rob Majeski (H-D); 2. Kevin Varnes (Yam); 3. Phil Libhart (Yam); 4. Tom Majeski (H-D); 5. Bill Bromley (W-R).

Fay edges Fisher at Castle Rock TT

By Derryl Anderson

CASTLE ROCK, WA, SEPT. 1

Mickey Fay ran out front all the way and edged Rex Fisher for the win in the Junior/Expert final at the 10th and last round of the regular season Castle Rock TT Series. The event drew 256 competitors.

Troy Norris topped the first Junior/Expert heat race while Fay handily won the second heat. Heat number three went to Don Wilson.

Fisher, who had mechanical problems in the first heat, won the semi. Speedy Kell topped the Last Chance Qualifier.

Fay got the holeshot at the start of the main event with Norris right on his tail until the right-hand turn where Norris got into a tank slapper, allowing Wilson, Del Schnitzer and Ron Yamamoto to get by.

Fay pulled away, but the racing behind him was fierce until it was stopped on the sixth lap when Norris, running third, got sideways and the bike pitched him off.

Norris was okay and he made the single-file restart which took away the huge lead Fay had built up. Once again, though, it was Fay holding the lead on the restart, but this time Fisher stayed close. Time ran out and the win was Fay's with Fisher taking second and Schnitzer third.

The Pro-Am division heats were won by J.P. Simonsen and David Bachmeier. Simonsen led all the way in the main event with Denny Fennel taking second and Pat Munyon third.

Results

50 B: 1. Ben Bushnell (Yam); 2. Nicholas Colton (Yam); 3. Steve Hyson III (Yam).

50 A: 1. Kati Ash (Itj); 2. Scooter Vernon (Itj); 3. Doug Ask (Yam).

50 MOD: 1. Dale Ainslie (Yam); 2. Scooter Vernon (Itj); 3. Jacob Currey (Yam).

60: 1. Joshua Paulus (Kaw); 2. Christian Vernon (Kaw); 3. Josh Currey (Hon); 4. Jimmy Ragsdale (Kaw).

80 B: 1. Todd Holloway (Kaw); 2. Gary Hamilton (Kaw); 3. Keith Anderson (Kaw).

80 A: 1. Jason Nelson (Hon); 2. Beau Manley (Kaw); 3. Christian Vernon (Kaw).

125: 1. Josh Welsh (Kaw); 2. Jason Nelson (Hon).

250 C: 1. Alvin Nelson (Yam).

250 B: 1. Craig Bowman (Hon).

250 A: 1. Phil Prutsman (Kaw); 2. Gary Roller (Yam); 3. Kevin Wakefield (Hon).

VINT SGL: 1. Gary Roller (Hon); 2. Kevin Hamilton (Hon); 3. Kleeve Hodson (Yam).

VINT TW: 1. Matt Holm (Tri); 2. Ray Carroll (Tri); 3. Gary Kapus (Tri).

250 +30: 1. Phil Prutsman (Kaw); 2. Kevin Wakefield (Hon); 3. Jeff Rister (Yam).

+30 OPEN B: 1. Gary Kapus (Tri).

+30 OPEN A: 1. Matt Holm (Tri); 2. Steve McCauley (Rtx); 3. Allan Morinville (Hon).

+40 B: 1. Arlen Anderson (Hon); 2. Jim Krist (Tri).

+40 A: 1. Allan Morinville (Hon); 2. Richard Slusher (Tri); 3. Bill Fogg (Hon).

OPEN B: 1. James Morinville (Hon).

OPEN A: 1. Ryan Anderson (Hon); 2. Jeff Brown (Hon); 3. John Bredfield (Hon).

PRO-AM: 1. J.P. Simonsen (Hon); 2. Denny Fennel (Hon); 3. Pat Munyon (Hon); 4. Bruce Scott (Hon); 5. David Bachmeier (Hon).

JR/EX: 1. Mickey Fay (Rtx); 2. Rex Fisher (Rtx); 3. Del Schnitzer (Rtx); 4. Randy Roose (Rtx); 5. Don Wilson (Rtx).

Simpson takes back-to-back wins at Montrose Motocross

By Hurley and Dot Short

RAEFORD, NC, SEPT. 9

Riders opened the fall season at Montrose MX Park by running the first race in the NAME Fall Championship Series.

In the first moto of the 85cc (7-13) class, Caven Woodruff, Ryan Schafer, David Price and John Morrow led the pack off the line. Price moved up and began putting pressure on Schafer. Price took over first, dropping Schafer to second and Woodruff to third. Woodruff made a pass to second on the final approach to the finish line. It was Price, riding for Honda of Raleigh, taking the win over Woodruff and Schafer at the finish line.

Schafer, Woodruff, Price and Morrow were off the line first in the second moto. Woodruff moved into first on the first lap, as Price hung in for third. Woodruff took a spill on the final lap and David Price took over second place. Woodruff took the moto win and also the overall for the day.

As the 250cc Novice class roared off the line, it was Chuck Parrish, Gary Miller, John Schafer, Chuck Vaught and John Hainline in the lead. Parrish extended his lead over the pack as Vaught moved up to take second but then Parris went down and lost a lot of time and Anthony Dyson moved into third. Miller took over the lead as Dyson moved to second and Hainline to third. Vaught was making his way to the front when he went down. Dyson was riding the back fender of Miller as Hainline continued in third position. At the finish, it was Miller, Dyson and Hainline.

In the second moto, Vaught, Parrish, Kenny Mills, Miller and Danny Skipper led the way, the top five holding their positions through the first lap. Vaught extended his lead over the field as he continued to be followed by Parrish, and Hainline. Vaught took the checkered flag, followed by Parrish, Hainline, Miller and Mills. Miller, on his Kawasaki sponsored by Yamaha/Kawasaki of Florence, was the overall winner.

Billy Judah took the holeshot as Ryan Garner, Kevin Simpson and Randy Hargis closed in behind him in the first running of the 125cc Novice class. Simpson, riding for Kawasaki of Charlotte, piloted his Kawasaki into the lead on the first lap, dropping Judah to second as Hargis moved to third and Richard Ratliff to fourth. Simpson put a lot of track between himself and Judah. David Broadhurst took over second and Hargis held on to third and Ratliff kept his fourth for the finish.

The second time out, Simpson grabbed the holeshot, followed by Broadhurst, William Davis, Hargis and Ratliff. As in the first moto, Simpson moved on out followed by Broadhurst, Davis and Hargis. Hargis began pushing Davis for position, but he was unable to make the pass. Simpson crossed the line first followed by Broadhurst, Davis, Hargis and Ratliff. Simpson took the overall.

Results

0-85 (7-13): 1. Caven Woodruff (Kaw); 2. David Price (Hon); 3. Ryan Schafer (Kaw); 4. John Morrow (Suz); 5. Jason Jones (Yam).

0-85 (12-15): 1. Chad Newton (Suz); 2. Caven Woodruff (Kaw); 3. Richard Shavender (Kaw); 4. Danny Lewis (Kaw); 5. Shaun Jenne' (Hon).

125 NOV: 1. Kevin Simpson (Kaw); 2. David Broadhurst (Hon); 3. Randy Hargis (Kaw); 4. Wm. J. Davis, Jr. (Yam); 5. Richard Ratliffe (Suz).

125 AM: 1. Richard Ibison (Yam); 2. Glenn Krofchick (Suz); 3. Gator Todd (Yam); 4. Mike Milem (Hon); 5. Matthew Hendrix (Yam).

125 PRO: 1. Kent Rogerson (Yam); 2. Patrick Slate (Yam).

250 NOV: 1. Gary Miller (Kaw); 2. John Hainline (Kaw); 3. Chuck Vaught (Hon); 4. Chuck Parrish (Hus); 5. Danny Skipper (Hon).

250 AM: 1. Billy Taylor (Kaw); 2. Glenn Krofchick (Suz); 3. Jason Morgart (Hon); 4. Mike Milem (Hon); 5. Keith Glenn (Yam).

250 PRO: 1. Patrick Slate (Yam); 2. Kent Rogerson (Yam); 3. Richard Van Bortel (Hon); 4. Keith Rivenbark (Yam).

500 AM: 1. Scott Turlington (Hon); 2. Darrell Bell (Hon); 3. David Russell (KTM); 4. Mark Kiser (Hon); 5. Craig Walters (Hon).

PLUS 25: 1. Richard Van Bortel (Hon); 2. Ronald Dobbs (KTM); 3. Charles Todd (Yam); 4. Donnie Davis (Hon); 5. Sidney Williams (Yam).

PLUS 30: 1. Keith Rivenbark (Yam); 2. Lee Bryant (Hon); 3. Chuck Parrish (Hus); 4. Darrell Bell (Hon); 5. Robert Munn (Yam).

PLUS 40: 1. Ed Donaldson (KX); 2. Billy Privatte (Hon); 3. Jimmy Evers (Yam).

TR: 1. Jason Brinker (Yam); 2. Billy Bosworth (Mai).

Christian cruises at Speedway USA

By M. Sober

VICTORVILLE, CA, SEPT. 1

Ninteen eighty-five National Speedway Champion Alan Christian won the eight-lap Handicap main event before a crowd of 2600 at the San Bernardino County Fairgrounds. Christian started from his usual spot on the back markers at the 50-yard line. Also on the 50 were Mike Faria and current track champion Steve Lucero. In front of the veterans, on the 40-yard line were Charlie Venegas, Tony Beinert and Robert Curry.

Beinert was participating in the main despite being stretchered out after slamming into the turn wall in his Scratch heat. Beinert apparently only had the wind knocked out of him and convinced referee Danny Hull that he was fit to participate in the Handicap main.

Curry was the first 30-yard rider off the line as the starting tapes went up and took the lead with Venegas right on his tail. Meanwhile, Christian got off to a rocket start from the back of the pack and quickly moved up to third place behind Venegas. As soon as Christian was about to apply some well intended pressure on the young rider, Venegas parked in front of him and they both went down, bringing out the red flag and a restart. Venegas was penalized for his mistake and had to move back to the 60-yard line for the restart.

The restart looked much like the original start with Curry moving out in front and setting the early pace. But as was the case in the first go, Christian got off the line in a hurry and by the end of lap two had moved past Larsen, Beinert and Brant into second place. Faria and Lucero took note of Christian's move and followed him through the pack into third and fourth place. Now all that was left for Christian was Curry. Christian moved up and by Curry on lap six and never looked back. Faria and Lucero were also able to move Curry off the groove and finished in second and third, respectively. Curry did not completely fall apart and held on for a fourth place finish. CN

Results

SCRATCH: 1. Steve Lucero (Wes); 2. Mike Faria (Wes); 3. Scott Brant (Wes); 4. Bobby Schwartz (Wes).

HDCP: 1. Alan Christian (Wes); 2. Mike Faria (Wes); 3. Steve Lucero (Wes); 4. Robert Curry (Jaw); 5. Josh Larsen (Wes).

D-2: 1. Harley Hall (Jaw); 2. Rob Ball (Jaw); 3. Jason Rock (Wes); 4. Tom Norris (Jaw); 5. Ken Hansen (Wes).

D-3: 1. Don Darling (Jaw); 2. Chuck Lybarger (Jaw); 3. Jim Estes (Jaw); 4. Robbie Sauer (Jaw); 5. Ben Mears (Jaw).

JR D-1: 1. Chris Werner (Wes); 2. Ryan Matteson (Wes); 3. Heath Hammonds (Wes); 4. Randy Evans (Wes).

JR D-2: 1. Stephen Downing; 2. Mark Nicklas; 3. Danny Bandfield; 4. Tim Cochren; 5. Amber Kossuth.

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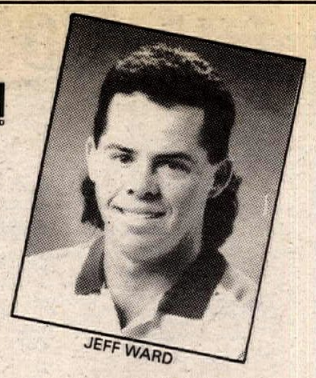

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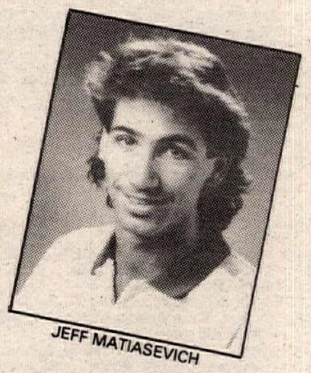

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CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

World C'ship Superbike Road Race Series

10/7 Monza, Italy
11/4 Shah Alam, Malaysia
11/11 Phillip Island, Australia
11/18 Manfeild, New Zealand

AMA Grand Nat'l C'ship Camel Pro Series

*9/29 Gardena, CA HM
*10/6 Sacramento, CA M
* Camel Challenge
Info 614/891-2425

AMA 125/500cc Nat'l C'ship MX Series

9/30 Delmont, PA
10/7 Budds Creek, MD
10/14 New Berlin, NY
Info 614/891-2425

AMA Nat'l C'ship Reliability Enduro Series

10/27 Minden, NV
Info 614/891-2425

AMA Nat'l C'ship Enduro Series

9/30 W. Greenwich, RI
10/7 Forest Hill, LA
10/21 Redding, CA
Tentative
Info 614/891-2425

AMA Nat'l C'ship Hare & Hound Series

9/30 Wendover, UT
10/14 Wells to Wendover, UT
Info 614/891-2425

AMA Nat'l C'ship Hillclimb Series

9/30 Jefferson, PA
10/14 Oregonia, OH
Info 614/891-2425

AMA/Wiseco/ Yamaha/Yokohama Grand Nat'l Cross Country Series

10/7 Elkins, WV
10/28 Bunner Ridge, WV
11/11 Millfield, OH
Info 304/594-1157

AMA/CCS Regional C'ship Road Race Series

Great Lakes Region
10/6-7 Grattan, MI

South Florida Region
10/13-14 Talladega, AL
10/20-21 W. Palm Beach, FL

South Central Region
10/13-14 Hallett, OK

Southwest Region
10/13-14 Las Vegas, NV

Northeast Region
10/6-7 Loudon, NH

Salt Lake Region
10/7 Bonneville, UT

Southeast Region
9/29-30 Savannah, GA
10/13-14 Talladega, AL

AMA/CCS EBC Brakes Endurance Challenge Road Race Series

10/25-28 Daytona Beach, FL
Info 704/684-4297

Castrol Eastern Canada Challenge

9/29-30 Shannonville, Ont., CAN
Info 613/966-4882

Kerker/SBS WERA Nat'l Endurance Road Race Series

10/6 Clermont, IN
11/2 Braselton, GA
Tentative
Info 803/681-9372

WERA Pro Series

10/6-7 Clermont, IN
10/31-11/4 Braselton, GA
Info 803/681-WERA

WERA Regional C'ship Series

Northeast/Mid-Atlantic Region
9/29-30 Garrettsville, OH
10/13-14 Summit Point, WV

Southeast Region
9/29-30 Talladega, AL

South Central Region
10/20-21 Henderson, TX
Info 803/681-WERA

WERA Grand National Finals

11/2-4 Braselton, GA

NETRA C'ship Enduro Series

9/30 W. Greenwich, RI
10/14 New Boston, MA
10/28 Oxford, MA
11/4 Stafford, CT
11/18 Chester, CT

NETRA C'ship Hare Scrambles Series

10/7 Fishouse, NY
10/21 Southcentral, MA
11/11 Wrentham, MA
Info 203/875-5757

NETRA Turkey Run Series

10/7 N. Conway, NH
10/21 Wrentham, MA
11/25 Plympton, MA

ECEA C'ship Enduro Series

9/30 West Greenwich, RI
10/7 Greenbard, NJ
10/28 Bear, DE
11/11 Warren Grove, NJ
Info 609/893-7294

NESC C'ship Motocross Series

9/30 Southwick, MA
10/7 Middleboro, MA
10/21 Southwick, MA
10/28 Middleboro, MA
11/4 Middlebobo, MA
11/11 Middleboro, MA
Info 413/772-0685

CRA Team Hare Scrambles Series

10/14 Milport, OH
11/11 Amherst, OH
Info 216/538-2220

IDBA Nat'l C'ship Drag Race Series

10/12-14 Commerce, GA
Info 205/849-7886

AMRA All Harley Drag Race Series

9/30 Cordova, IL
10/6-7 Clarksville, TN*
* Indicates National
Info 708/250-0838

Dragbike! USA Nat'l C'ship Drag Race Series

9/29-30 Albuquerque, NM
10/7 Miami, FL
10/20-21 Palmdale, CA
11/3-4 Phoenix, AZ
11/16-18 Gainesville, FL
Info 315/735-4412

SETRA C'ship Enduro Series

10/14 Tallahassee, FL
11/4 Maplesville, AL
1/31/91 Charleston, SC
1/27 Sumter, SC
3/3 Pelion, SC
3/10 Deland, FL
3/17 Maxeys, GA
3/31 Brown Mt. Bch., NC
4/28 Olustee, FL
5/5 Clinton, SC
Info 912/882-6483

SETRA C'ship Hare Scrambles Series

9/30 Bremen, GA
10/21 Brown Mt. Bch., NC
10/28 Dahlonega, GA
11/18 Montgomery, AL
12/9 Ft. Gaines, GA
2/17/91 Johnsonville, SC
2/24 Maxeys, GA
4/14 Sumter, SC
5/12 Jasper, AL
Info 912/882-6483

Virginia C'ship Hare Scrambles Series

9/30 Smith Mtn. Lake, VA
10/14 Newport News, VA
10/21 Fort Picket, VA
11/4 Martinsville, VA
Info 804/255-4620 or 851-0322

SERA Enduro Series

10/7 Forest Hill, LA
11/4 Maplesville, AL
Info 504/748-8693

SERA Hare Scrambles Series

10/21 Tupelo, MS
11/11 Birmingham, AL
Info 504/748-8693

AHRMA Nat'l C'ship Vintage MX Series

10/13 New Berlin, NY
Info 603/673-0993 (Eastern events)
213/490-0012 (Western Events)

AHRMA Regional Championship Vintage MX Series

9/30 Fernley, NV
10/21 Palmdale, CA
11/11 Tulare, CA
Info 603/673-0993 (Eastern events)
213/490-0012 (Western events)

AHRMA Regional C'ship Vintage Road Race Series

11/1 Braselton, GA
Info 304/291-2253

Florida C'ship Gold Cup MX Series

9/30 Cocoa, FL
10/7 Sebring, FL
10/14 Gainesville, FL
10/21 Dade City, FL
10/28 Reddick, FL
11/4 Cocoa, FL
11/11 Sebring, FL
Info 813/822-8929

Florida Winter Nat'l Olympics

11/19-24 Gainesville, FL
Info 813/822-8929

OCCRA Cross Country Series

11/4 Lake Murray, OK
11/11 Tulsa, OK
11/18 Draper Lake, OK
Info 405/632-3370

RMEC Enduro Series

9/31 Cloudcroft, NM
Info 307/742-4136

Black Jack Enduro Circuit

9/30 Stillwater, OK
10/14 Tulsa, OK
10/28 Oklahoma City, OK
Info 405/340-7478.

Missouri Hare Scrambles C'ship Series

9/30 Flat River, MO
10/21 Potosi, MO
10/28 Belleville, IL
Info 314/291-7091

N. Indiana Hare Scrambles Series

10/28 Plymouth, IN
12/2 Plymouth, IN
Info 219/831-2345

CRA Road Race Series

9/29-30 Brainerd, MN
Info 612/331-6810

ATA Observed Trials C'ship Series

10/7 Corral Canyon, CA
10/28 Stoddard Valley, CA
11/11 Little Rock Canyon, CA
12/30-31 UCAN Classic Oatman, AZ
Info 213/259-6631

USBA Road Race Series

10/6-7 Salt Lake City, UT
Info 801/973-9091

ARRA Road Race Series

10/20-21 Willow Springs, CA
11/17-18 Willow Springs, CA
12/15-16 Willow Springs, CA
Info 805/966-5700

OMRRA Road Race Series

10/7 Portland, OR
Info 503/221-1487

SCORE Int'l Off-Road Series

11/8-11 Baja 1000
Ensenada, BC, MEX
Info 818/889-9216.

NMA Enduro Series

10/28 Bellingham, WA
Info 206/943-1559

NMA Off-Road Series

9/30 Shelton, WA
11/11 Shelton, WA
11/18 Bellingham, WA
Info 206/943-1559

WMRRA Road Race Series

10/7 Kent, WA
Info 206/363-3597

Grans Prix de Baja Series

10/6 Ensenada GP
Ensenada, MEX
11/17 San Felipe GP
San Felipe, MEX
Info 818/340-5750

MTEG Off-Road Gran Prix Series

9/29 Denver, CO
10/TBA San Francisco, CA

GFI Fall Series

South Series
9/30 Perris, CA
North Series
9/29 Chowchilla, CA
10/7 Marysville, CA
Info 714/788-5853

Sabine Enduro Circuit

10/21 Forest Hill, LA
11/3-4 Muenster, TX
3/10/91 String Prairie, TX
3/TBA Leesville, LA
4/7 Nacogdoches, TX
Info 409/722-7926

High Plains Enduro Circuit

9/30 Cloudcroft, NM
10/7 Memphis, TX
10/14 Post, TX
11/18 Spur, TX
12/1-2 Lubbock, TX
12/16 Turkey, TX
2/10/91 Carlsbad, NM
2/24 Odessa, TX
3/24 San Angelo, TX
4/14 Post, TX
Info 806/795-1218

South Texas Hare Scramble Series

9/30 DBSA Sabinal, TX
10/21 TRH Bastrop, TX
11/11 AMSA String Prairie, TX
11/18 TRH Trinity, TX
12/2 DBSA Hidden Valley, TX
12/16 TRH Lake Houston, TX
1/13/91 TRH Cleveland, TX
1/27 AMSA Smithville, TX
2/10 DBSA Zars Ranch, TX
2/24 AMSA Rockne, TX
3/10 DBSA New Berlin, TX
Info AMSA-512/892-5026, DBSA-512/438-7594, TRH-713/351-7339

NMA/Domino's Pizza Fall Nat'l MX Series

10/14 Tyler, TX
10/21 Oklahoma City, OK
10/27-28 Ponca City, OK
Info 213/868-8112

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September 27

OREGON MOTOCROSS
MXNW Series. Portland Int'l Raceway, Portland. Info 503/620-1020.

September 28

CALIFORNIA STADIUM MX
• CMC. MotoBowl. Sacramento raceway Park, Sacramento. Info 916/363-2653 or 363-2645.
CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY
• International Speedway. Orange County Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa. Info 714/492-9933.
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• CRC. L.A. County Raceway, Palmdale. Info 805/272-8889.
CALIFORNIA STADIUM MX
Cycleland Speedway, Chico. Info 916/342-0063.
DELAWARE SHORT TRACK/SUPERCROSS
• Seaford Speedway, Seaford. Info 302/629-6535 or 335-4386.
NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS
• AMA. Wilkes County MX Park, Lenoir. Info 704/758-3242.
TENNESSEE SUPERCROSS
Candies Creek, Cleveland. Info 615/479-3470 or 554-3392.
TEXAS MOTOCROSS
• Mosier Valley MX Park, Euless. Info 817/540-0815.

September 28-30

CALIFORNIA RALLY
Mammoth Mountain Inn Rally. Concours Owners Group. Mammoth Lakes. Info 818/441-6701.

September 29

ALABAMA MOTOCROSS
County Line Raceway, Bessemer. Info 205/477-5389 or 477-6848.
ARIZONA MOTOCROSS
• CMC. Phoenix Raceway, Phoenix. Info 602/944-2639.
CALIFORNIA HALF MILE
• AMA/Camel Pro Nat'l Dirt Track Series. Agajanian Enterprises. Ascot Park, Gardena. Info 213/321-5323.
CALIFORNIA RALLY
San Diego Antique MC. Show/Field Meet/Road Ride/Swap Meet. Del Mar Rac Track infield, Del Mar. Info 619/753--1-5 or 755-3424.
CALIFORNIA DESERT RACE
AMA/Fudpucker Racing Team. Superstition C'ship Series Plaster City Blast IV. Plast City East, El Centro. Info 619/427-5759.
CALIFORNIA SHORT TRACK
Dirt Sports Promotions. Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad. Info 619/489-5823.
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• GFI Super Sat. Perris Raceway, Perris. Info 714/788-5853.
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• GFI North Fall Series. Chowchilla Fairgrounds, Chowchilla. Info 209/673-8080.
FLORIDA MOTOCROSS
Dade City Raceway, Dade City. Info 813/986-4950.
FLORIDA MOTOCROSS
• Orange County Raceway, Orlando. Info 407/568-2271.
FLORIDA MOTOCROSS
West Florida MX Park, Milton. Info 904/994-0827 or 994-4606.
GEORGIA SUPERCROSS
• Riverside Supercross, Calhoun. Info 404/928-3053 or 629-4450.
GEORGIA MOTOCROSS
thunder Creek MX, High Falls. Info 912/994-6630 or 994-9494.
GEORGIA SUPERCROSS
• Southern Supercross, Tunnel Hill. Info 404/397-2937.
INDIANA MOTOCROSS
D-12 & 15/Read's Racing Unlimited. Trojan Speedway, North Webster. Info 219/594-2974 or 594-2649.
MINNESOTA SHORT TRACK
Omar's Gopher Racing. Montgomery Speedway, Montgomery. Info 612/593-1283.
OHIO MOTOCROSS
CRA. Gran Prix Raceway, Canal Fulton. Info 216/682-9231.
OHIO MOTOCROSS
• AMA/D-11. Dirt Country MX Park, Blanchester. Info 513/625-9987 or 625-7350.
OHIO SPEEDWAY
Bear Creek Speedway, south of Canton. Info 216/837-5694.
OHIO TT SCRAMBLE
Deerfield Speedway, Deerfield. Info 216/584-8668.
OHIO SHORT TRACK
Track C'ship. Manfield MC clubgrounds, Mansfield. Info 419/529-6561.
OHIO SHORT TRACK
AMA/D-11. Grand Lake MC, Mendon. Info 419/795-4941.
OHIO MOTOCROSS
AMA/D-11 & 12/American Motosports, Inc. Coshocton County Fairgrounds, Coshocton. Info 614/596-2057.
PENNSYLVANIA SHORT TRACK
AMA/D-6/VDTRA. Trail-Way Speedway, Hanover. Info 717/359-4310.
PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS
AMA/D-5/Bellco. Steel City Raceway, Delmont. Info 304/594-1157.
TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS
I-40 MX Race Park, Lenoir City. Info 615/573-5425.
TEXAS SHORT TRACK/TT
• Mike Kidd's Boyd Raceway, Boyd. Info 817/433-5587.

September 29-30

ALABAMA ROAD RACE
WERA Sprints. Talladega Gran Prix Raceway, Talladega. Info 205/362-6370 or 362-2113.
CALIFORNIA GRAND PRIX
AMA/D-37/Best of the West Series. 6th Annual Barstow GP. Prospectors MC, Barstow College, Barstow. Info 213/376-9279 or 818/332-1573.
CALIFORNIA OLYMPIAD
• CRC. Glen Helen OHV Park, San Bernardino. Info 805/272-8889.
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
N. CA OTHG MX Nat'ls. Chowchilla Fairgrounds, Chowchilla. Info 209/924-3006.
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• AMA/D-14. Mustang Acres, Brighton. Info 313/229-9719.
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NM Desert Racing Assn. MX & Sandia 100. Sandia Res., Albuquerque. Info 505/898-6606.
PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS
AMA/D-6. Sleepy Hollow MX, Fredericksburg. Info 717/273-1180 or 273-9212.
TEXAS DRAGS
• Dragbike! USA Nat'l C'ship Series. 10th Annual Lonestar Nat'ls. Houston Raceway Park, Houston. Info 315/735-1661.
UTAH HARE & HOUND
AMA Nat'l C'ship Series/USRA/Desert Foxes. Wendover. Info 801/544-0643 or 561-8849.
WASHINGTON MOTOCROSS
NMA Gold Cup Nat'ls. Richland. Info 208/773-2956 or 667-8515.

September 30

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• GFI South Fall Series, #5. Perris Raceway, Perris. Info 209/673-8080.
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• DRC. DeAnza Cycle Park, Moreno Valley. Info 714/242-5840.
CALIFORNIA OFF ROAD
AMA/D-36/Mendocino Dirt Riders Assn. Off Road Poker Run. Cow Mountain ORV area, Ukiah. Info 707/485-8451 or 462-9786.
CALIFORNIA GRAND PRIX
• CRC Gremlin GP. Glen Helen OHV Park, San Bernardino. Info 805/272-8889.
CALIFORNIA TT SCRAMBLES
AMA/D-36. Argyll Park, Dixon. Info 916/678-3592.
CANADA ROAD RACE
• CMRA. 6 Hr. Endurance. Race City Speedway, Calgary, Alberta. Info 403/277-8297.
COLORADO TRIALS
RMTA. Rock Creek. Info 303/841-2014.
COLORADO MOTOCROSS
• Sport Riders Assn. of CO/M & M Promotions. Aztec, Colorado Springs. Info 303/988-7722.
FLORIDA SCRAMBLES
Gator Scrambles. Orange County Raceway, Orlando. Info 407/568-2271.
FLORIDA MOTOCROSS
• AMA/WorldSports. Gold Cup Series. Cocoa. Info 813/822-8929.
GEORGIA MOTOCROSS
Rough Riders MX, Rome. Info 404/295-1901 or 234-7561.
GEORGIA HARE SCRAMBLES
SETRA C'ship Series. Bremen MX, Bremen. Info 404/941-8464.
ILLINOIS DRAGS
AMRA All Harley Drag Race Series. Cordova Dragway, Cordova. Info 319/462-4605.
INDIANA MOTOCROSS
D-15. Tri State MC Club, Butler. Info 219/637-5416.
IOWA MOTOCROSS
K & C Racing Inc. Berm Busters MX Park, Greenfield. Info 515/763-2461.
KENTUCKY HALF MILE
• AMA. HM & Harley-Davidson Fall Rally. W. Kentucky Fairgrounds, Paducah. Info 502/444-7593.

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Oct. 14	Moto Sport Team	(216) 821-2966	Oct. 13	Gran Prix	(216) 682-9231
Oct. 21	Malvern Bun Buster	(216) 669-3504	Oct. 14	Ohio Int'l	(216) 369-5993
Oct. 28	Mansfield	(419) 524-1347 or (419) 526-6318	Oct. 20	Gran Prix	(216) 682-9231
			Oct. 21	Amherst	(216) 988-9100
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COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Date	Club	Event
Sept. 29-30	Prospectors M/C Location: Barstow College Info: Scott Herweg (213) 376-7279 or (818) 332-1573	Gran Prix
Oct. 7	Training Wheeles M/C Location: Camp Rock Road (Cougar Buttes) Info:Mark or Joy (213) 830-9850 Warren Burns (619) 945-0209	Enduro
Oct. 14	Viewfinders M/C Location: Charlies Place (Red Mountain) Info: Peter (805) 268-0705	Hare & Hound Team Race
Oct. 21	Ventura County M/C Location: Lucerne Valley Info: Rick (805) 647-8745	Desert Qualifier
Oct. 28	100's M/C Location: Soggy Dry Lake Info: Jeff Miller (714) 778-3674	Hare & Hound Best of the West

ROAD & DUAL SPORT SCHEDULE
INFO: (818) 249-2141

Date	Club	Event
Oct. 14	San Diego County Interpids Location: Oceanside Honda Info: (619) 586-1459	Road
Oct. 20-21	Touring wings SGV (Pelican Chase IV) Location: Acc. Unlimited Newhall Info: (818) 918-2800	Road
Oct. 20-21	California Trail Riders (Inyo 250) Location: Info: (213) 867-7429	Road
Oct. 27-28	Team Dual Do[illegible] Loc[illegible] CANCELLED (818) 701-1913	Dual Sport

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Sat., Sept. 29	Rnd. 5 Fall Series (North)	Chowchilla
Sat., Sept. 29	GFI Super Sat. MX	Perris Raceway
Sun., Sept. 30	Rnd. 5 Fall Series (South)	Perris Raceway
Sat., Oct. 6	GFI Super Sat. MX	Perris Raceway
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CALENDAR

KENTUCKY HARE SCRAMBLES
Pendleton Co. MC Rec. Park, Gardnersville. Info 606/472-3442.
KENTUCKY MOTOCROSS
Rough Country MX, Henderson. Info 502/521-7884 or 812/897-3800.
MASSACHUSETTS MOTOCROSS
NESC C'ship Series. Southwick. Info 413/772-0685.
MISSISSIPPI MOTOCROSS
Central MS MX Assn. Pearl. Info 601/939-2017 or 939-5077.
MISSOURI HARE SCRAMBLES
MO H.S. Series. Flat River Grand Prix. Flat River. Info 314/427-1204.
NEBRASKA MOTOCROSS
• Cornhusker MX Circuit. Gibbon. Info 308/236-7672 or 234-5832.
NEVADA TRIALS
PITS C'ship Series. Moon Rocks Trial. Reno. Info 209/293-4768.
NEW MEXICO ENDURO
Prairie Dawgs MC/RMEC/High Plains Enduro Circuit. 31st Annual Mile High Enduro. Cloudcroft, Alamogordo. Info 505/434-1294.
NEW YORK SHORT TRACK
AMA/Square Deal Riders MC. SDR Raceway, Harpursville. Info 607/729-5395.
NEW YORK SPEEDWAY
Champion Speedway, Owego. Info 607/723-2387.
NEW YORK MOTOCROSS
WNYSC. Silvarole's MX Park, Batavia. Info 716/594-0482.
NEW YORK HARE SCRAMBLES
NY State HS Series. Frozen Ocean MX Park, Auburn. Info 315/784-5466.
NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS
NAME Fall C'ship Series. East Coast MX Park, New Bern. Info 919/633-6194.
OHIO MOTOCROSS
CRA. Amherst Meadowlarks, Amherst. Info 216/988-9100.
OHIO HARE SCRAMBLE
CRA. Gran Prix Raceway, Canal Fulton. Info 216/682-9231.
OHIO POKER RUN
AMA/D-14/Glass City MC. Delta Motor Sports Park, Delta. Info 419/666-8413.
OHIO MOTOCROSS
• AMA/D-11. Honda Hills, Linnville. Info 1-800-EAT-DIRT.
OKLAHOMA ENDURO
Black-Jack Enduro Circuit. Stillwater. Info 405/340-7478.
PENNSYLVANIA SHORT TRACK
AMA/D-6. Trail-Way Speedway, Hanover. Info 717/359-4310.
PENNSYLVANIA HILLCLIMB
• AMA Nat'l C'ship Series. White Rose MC, Jefferson. Info 614/891-2425.
PENNSYLVANIA TRIALS
AMA/D-6. PA Trials Riders, Montoursville. Info 717/368-1718.
PENNSYLVANIA POKER RUN
AMA/D-6. Lebanon Valley MC, Lebanon. Info 717/272-6896.
PENNSYLVANIA POKER RUN
AMA/D-6. Road Winders MC, Trevose. Info 215/357-1534.
PENNSYLKVANIA POKER RUN
AMA/D-6. Waynesboro MC, Waynesbobo. Info 717/762-6102.
RHODE ISLAND ENDURO
AMA Nat'l C'ship Series/NETRA/ECEA/Rhody Rovers MC. Little Rhody Nat'l. W. Greenwich. Info 203/875-5757.
TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS
• Mega Series. Muddy Creek Raceway, Blountville. Info 615/323-5497.
TEXAS HARE SCRAMBLES
South Texas HS Series/DBSA. Sabanal. Info 512/438-7594.
UTAH HARE & HOUND
AMA Nat'l C'ship Series. Utah Desert Foxes, Wendover. Info 801/539-7618.
VIRGINIA HARE SCRAMBLES
VA C'ship HS Series. Briar Patch. Smith Mountain Riders, Penhook. Info 804/927-5970.
WASHINGTON OFF ROAD
NMA. PSER Shelton Valley ISDE. Shelton. Info 206/943-1559.
WASHINGTON MOTOCROSS
MXNW Series. Washougal MX, Washougal. Info 503/673-1671.
WASHINGTON MOTOCROSS
• CMC/Holeshot MC/Clicker Racing/SMC. Round #4. Jolly Roger's, Kent. Info 206/859-0219.

October 1

CALIFORNIA SWAP MEET
S & P Promotions. L.A. County Fairplex, Pomona. Info 319/462-4605.

October 5

CALIFORNIA STADIUM MX
Cycleland Speedway, Chico. Info 916/342-0063.
CALIFORNIA STADIUM MX
• CMC. Moto Bowl, Sacramento Raceway Park, Sacramento. Info 916/363-2653 or 363-2645.
CALIFORNIA SWAP MEET
Inter-Shows Motorsport Promotions. Orange County Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa. Info 714/364-0515.
DELAWARE SHORT TRACK/SUPERCROSS
• Seaford Speedway, Seaford. Info 302/629-6535 or 335-4386.
TENNESSEE SUPERCROSS
Candies Creek, Cleveland. Info 615/479-3470.
TEXAS MOTOCROSS
• Mosier Valley MX Park, Euless. Info 817/540-0815.

October 6

ALABAMA MOTOCROSS
County Line Raceway, Bessemer. Info 205/477-5389 or 477-6848.
CALIFORNIA MILE
• AMA/Camel Pro Nat'l Dirt Track Series. Cal-Expo Fairgrounds, Sacramento. Info 213/321-5323.
CALIFORNIA ANTIQUE SHOW/SWAP MEET
So. Cal. Chapter of AMC. El Camino Jr. College, Torrance. Info 213/325-6264.
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• GFI Super Sat. Perris Raceway, Perris. Info 714/788-5853.
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• Racing Ent. Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad. Info 619/484-1441.
CALIFORNIA AX/SX/MX
Ventura Fairgrounds Raceway, Ventura. Info 805/656-1122.
CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY
• Int'l Speedway US Nat'l C'ship. Orange County Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa. Info 714/492-9933.
CALIFORNIA POKER RUN
Hollister Hills Off Road PR. Hollister Hills SVRA, Hollister. Info 408/637-3874 or 945-8838.
COLORADO MOTOCROSS
• Sports Riders Assn. of CO/Prairie Hills Promotions. Berthoud. Info 303/988-7722.
FLORIDA MOTOCROSS
• Orange County Raceway, Orlando. Info 407/568-2271.
FLORIDA MOTOCROSS
Dade City Raceway, Dade City. Info 813/986-4950.
GEORGIA SUPERCROSS
• Southern Supercross, Tunnel Hill. Info 404/397-2937.
GEORGIA MOTOCROSS
Thunder Creek MX, High Falls. Info 912/994-6630 or 994-9494.
GEORGIA SUPERCROSS
• Riverside Supercross, Calhoun. Info 404/928-3053 or 629-4450.
INDIANA MOTOCROSS
Read's Racing Unlimited. Trojan Speedway, N. Webster. Info 219/594-2974 or 594-2649.
MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS
AMA/D-14/Bear Bottom Promotion. Brown City MX, Brown City. Info 313/395-2169.
MISSOURI MOTOCROSS
Sprout Patch Competition. The Sprout Patch, Billings. Info 417/744-2593.
NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS
East Bend Speedway, East Bend. Info 919/699-3629.
OHIO MOTOCROSS
• AMA/D-11. Honda Hills, Linnville. Info 1-800-EAT-DIRT.
PENNSYLVANIA SHORT TRACK
AMA/D-6. Trail-Way Speedway, Hanover. Info 717/359-4310.
TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS
I-40 MX Race Park, Lenoir City. Info 615/691-7531 or 986-1617.
TEXAS SHORT TRACK/TT
• Mike Kidd's Boyd Raceway, Boyd. Info 817/433-5587.
TEXAS SUPERCROSS
Skeeter Motorsports Complex, Algoa. Info 409/925-4232.

October 6-7

COLORADO HILLCLIMB
CMTRA Hillclimb Series. Colorado Springs. Info 719/630-1758.
FLORIDA DRAGS
• Dragbike! USA Nat'l C'ship Series. 13th Annual Florida Nat'ls. DeSoto Dragway, Bradenton. Info 315/735-1661.
INDIANA ROAD RACE
WERA Nat'l Endurance & Pro Series. Indianapolis Raceway Park, Clermont. Info 803/681-9372.
MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS
AMA/D-14. Moreland's MX Park, Stanton. Info 517/235-4105.
MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS
MRA. Baja Acres, Millington. Info 517/871-3356.
OHIO MOTOCROSS
AMA/D-12 & 14/Glass City MC. Delta Motor Sport Park, Delta. Info 419/666-8413.
OHIO SHORT TRACK
AMA/D-11. Grand Lake MC, Mendon. Info 419/795-4941.
OHIO TRAIL RIDE
AMA/ERA. Baby Burr 200 Mile Nat'l Trail Ride. Vinton County Fairgrounds, McArthur. Info 614/444-9600.
TENNESSEE DRAGS
AMRA All-Harley Drag Race Series. Nat'l Finals. Clarksville Dragstrip, Clarksville. Info 708/250-0838.
TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS
I-40 MX Race Park, Lenoir City. Info 615/573-5425.
UTAH DESERT RACE
USRA Series. Sugarloafers, Delta. Info 801/561-8849 or 756-9723.

October 7

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• GFI North Fall Series, #6. Marysville MX, Marysville. Info 209/673-8080.
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• CRC. Perris Raceway, Perris. Info 805/272-8889.
CALIFORNIA ENDURO
AMA/D-37/Best of the West Series. 11th Annual Ghost Rider Enduro. Lucerne Valley. Info 213/830-9850 or 519/945-0209.
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• CMC. Glen Helen OHV Park, San Bernardino. Info 714/880-1733.
CALIFORNIA ENDURO
AMA/D-36/Polka Dots MC. Elkins Flat, Placerville. Info 916/624-7407
CALIFORNIA ENDURO
D-36 C'ship Series. Grizzly Fat, Middlecreek, Stonyford. Info 415/672-9715.
CALIFORNIA MINI ROAD RACE
NMA/RMD Productions. Amago Raceway, Lake Henshaw. Info 213/864-5214 or 868-8112.
CALIFORNIA HARE SCRAMBLES
AMA/Los Gatos MC. Hollister Hills Upper Ranch, Hollister. Info 209/523-9230.
CALIFORNIA TRIALS
ATA C'ship Round #8/San Diego Trials Riders. Tecate Vl. Corral Canyon OHV area, Pine Valley. Info 213/259-6631.
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• DRC. DeAnza Cycle Park, Moreno Valley. Info 714/242-5840.
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• CMC. Argyll Park, Dixon. Info 916/678-3592.
COLORADO TRIALS
RMTA Series. Elbert. Info 303/841-2014.
FLORIDA MOTOCROSS
• Orange County Raceway, Orlando. Info 407/568-2271.
FLORIDA MOTOCROSS
• AMA/WorldSports. Florida Gold Cup C'ship Series. Sebring. Info 813/822-8929.
GEORGIA MOTOCROSS
WFO MX Club. Whitesburg. Info 404/942-5930.
INDIANA MOTOCROSS
D-15. Tri-State MC, Butler. Info 219/637-5416.
INDIANA MOTOCROSS
AMA/D-15. Hoosier Hilltoppers clubgrounds, Uniontown. Info 812/522-1522.
IOWA TRIALS
All Iowa Trials Riders Assn. Amboy Trail Ranch, Newton. Info 515/792-0207.
IOWA MOTOCROSS
K & C Racing, Inc. Berm Busters MX Park, Greenfield. Info 515/763-2461.
KANSAS HARE SCRAMBLES
KORR C'ship Series, 2-Man HS. Winfield. Info 316/945-8221.
LOUISIANA ENDURO
AMA Nat'l C'ship Series/SERA. Acadiana Dirt Riders, Inc. Kisatchie Nat'l Forest, Forest Hill. Info 318/234-7978.
MASSACHUSETTS MOTOCROSS
NESC C'ship Series. Middlebobo. Info 413/772-0685.
NEW HAMPSHIRE TURKEY RUN
NETRA C'ship Series. Cidah Run North, N. Conway. Info 203/875-5757.
NEW JERSEY ENDURO
ECEA C'ship Series. Sandy Lane Enduro. Meteor MC, Greenbank. Info 609/227-4573.
NEW YORK HARE SCRAMBLES
NETRA C'ship Series. Catra II, Fishouse. Info 203/875-5757.
NEW YORK MOTOCROSS
WNYSC Series. Silver Springs MX Track, Rock Glen. Info 716/786-2157 or 786-5596.
NEW YORK MOTOCROSS
D-3. Royal Mountain Ski Area, Caroga Lake. Info 518/835-6445.
NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS
NAME Fall C'ship Series. Montrose MX, Raeford. Info 919/875-3805.
NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS
Silver Creek MX, Morganton. Info 704/584-2808.
NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS
Brasstown Fever MX, Brasstown. Info 704/837-8916.
OHIO VINTAGE TRIALS
Trials, Inc. Goodell's Farm, Mantua. Info 216/543-5034.
OHIO MOTOCROSS
CRA. Motosport Trails, Milport. Info 216/823-6069.
OHIO HARE SCRAMBLE
CRA. Wurster Memorial. Salem MC, Salem. Info 216/482-2971.
OHIO MOTOCROSS
AMA/D-11. Morristown Raceway Park, Morristown. Info 614/782-1015 or 304/281-RACE.
OHIO MOTOCROSS
• AMA/D-11. Holeshot Hills MX Park, Cincinnati. Info 513/738-0307.
OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS
• Interstate MX Park, Oklahoma City. Info 405/732-2667 or 737-0752.
OREGON MOTOCROSS
MXNW Series. Mt. View MX, Sandy. Info 503/668-9409.
OREGON MOTOCROSS
MXNW Series. Eugene MX, Eugene. Info 503/686-0661.
OREGON ROAD RACE
OMRRA Series. Sprints. Portland Int'l Raceway, Portland. Info 503/221-1487.
PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS
AMA/D-6. Hurricane Hills Sports Center, Clarks Summit. Info 717/222-9290 or 347-1733.
PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS

AMA/D-6. Hideaway MX, Shippensburg. Info 717/423-6653.
PENNSYLVANIA HARE SCRAMBLE
AMA/D-6. Reading Off Road Riders, Birdsbobo. Info 215/926-3181 or 926-6827.
PENNSYLVANIA DRAGS
AMA/D-6. Zinc City MC, Kresgeville. Info 215/681-4736.
PENNSYLVANIA POKER RUN
AMA/D-6. A Motor Maids, Lebanon. Info 717/273-5120.
PENNSYLVANIA TURKEY RUN
AMA/D-6. Garden Spot MC, Reamstown. Info 215/287-5451.
PENNSYLVANIA SHORT TRACK
D-6. Trail-Way Speedway, Hanover. Info 717/359-4310.
TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS
Jax MX Park, Atwood. Info 901/662-7123 or 686-0558.
TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS
AMA. Smoky Mountain MX, Pigeon Forge. Info 615/453-8947 or 453-8546.
TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS
• Dalls Ricker Complex, Kingsport. Info 615/239-9988 or 234-0772.
TEXAS MOTOCROSS
Mosier Valley MX Park, Euless. Info 817/540-0815.
TENNESSEE ENDURO
High Plains Enduro Circuit. Cottonboll Enduro. Memphis. Info 806/795-1218.
TEXAS CROSS COUNTRY
TCCRA. Oak Hill MX, Alvord. Info 214/790-1221 or 259-2479.
WASHINGTON ROAD RACE
WMRRA Series. Sprints. Seattle Int'l Raceway, Kent. Info 206/363-3597.
WASHINGTON MOTOCROSS
• CMC/Holeshot MC/Clicker Racing/SMC. Round #5. Seasttle Int'l Raceway, Kent. Info 206/859-0219.
WEST VIRGINIA CROSS COUNTRY
• AMA/Wiseco/Yamaha/Yokohama GNCC Series. Forest Festival. Elkins. Info 304/594-1157.

October 12

CALIFORNIA STADIUM MX
Cycleland Speedway, Chico. Info 916/342-0063.
CALIFORNIA STADIUM MX
• CMC. MotoBowl, Sacramento Raceway Park, Sacramento. Info 916/363-2653 or 363-2645.
DELAWARE SHORT TRACK/SUPERCROSS
• Seaford Speedway, Seaford. Info 302/629-6535 or 335-4386.
TENNESSEE SUPERCROSS
Candies Creek, Cleveland. Info 615/479-3470 or 554-3392.
TEXAS MOTOCROSS
• Mosier Valley MX Park, Euless. Info 817/540-0815.

October 12-14

GEORGIA DRAGS
• IDBA Nat'l C'ship Series. World Finals. Atlanta Dragaway, Commerce. Info 205/849-7886.

October 13

ALABAMA MOTOCROSS
County Line Raceway, Bessemer. Info 205/477-5389 or 477-6848.
ALABAMA MOTOCROSS
• Gary's Warrior MX/TT Track Warrior. Info 205/841-7224 or 669-4572.
CALIFORNIA DRAGS
USA Sand Drags. Glen Helen OHV Park, San Bernardino. Info 714/880-1733.
CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS
• Racing Ent. Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad. Info 619/484-1441.
CALIFORNIA SHORT TRACK
• R & D Enterprises. Monterey County Fairgrounds, Monterey. Info 408/449-7367.
CALIFORNIA SHORT TRACK
Dirt Sport Promotions. Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad. Info 619/489-5823.
CALIFORNIA DESERT RACE
AMA/D-38/Fudpucker Racing Team. Reliable Fabrication HMR Night Bonzai Run. Ancient Drylake Bed, El Centro. Info 619/427-5759.
DELAWARE SHORT TRACK
AMA/D-7. Seaford Speedway, Seaford. Info 302/629-6535 or 335-4386.
FLORIDA MOTOCROSS/SHORT TRACK
• Orange County Raceway, Orlando. Info 407/568-2271.
FLORIDA MOTOCROSS
Dade City Raceway, Dade City. Info 813/986-4950.
GEORGIA SUPERCROSS
• Riverside Supercross, Calhoun. Info 404/928-3053 or 629-4450.
GEORGIA MOTOCROSS
Thunder Creek MX, High Falls. Info 912/994-6630 or 994-9494.
GEORGIA SUPERCROSS
• Southern Supercross, Tunnel Hill. Info 404/397-2937.
GEORGIA MOTOCROSS
AMA/Wings & Wheels. Bremen MX, Bremen. Info 404/941-8464 or 920-1033.
INDIANA MOTOCROSS
D-12 & 15/Read's Racing Unlimited, Inc. Trojan Speedway, N. Webster. Info 219/594-2974 or 594-2649.
NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS
East Bend Speedway, East Bend. Info 919/699-3629.
OHIO MOTOCROSS
CRA. Gran Prix Raceway, Canal Fulton. Info 216/682-9231.
OHIO TT SCRAMBLE
Deerfield Speedway, Deerfield. Info 216/584-8668.
OHIO MOTOCROSS
• AMA/D-11. Dirt Country MX Park, Blanchester. Info 513/625-9987 or 791-8970.
PENNSYLVANIA SUPERCROSS
AMA/D-6. Trail-Way Speedway, Hanover. Info 717/359-4310.
TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS
I-40 MX Race Park, Lenoir City. Info 615/573-5425.
TEXAS SHORT TRACK/TT
• Mike Kidd's Boyd Raceway, Boyd. Info 817/433-5587.
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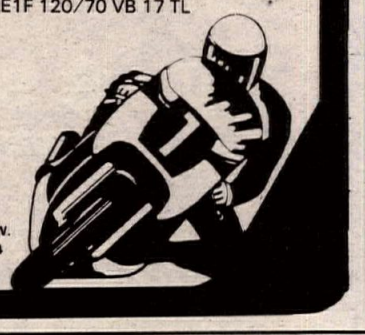

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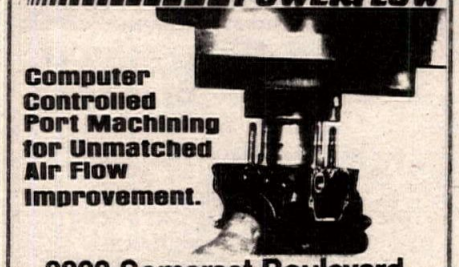

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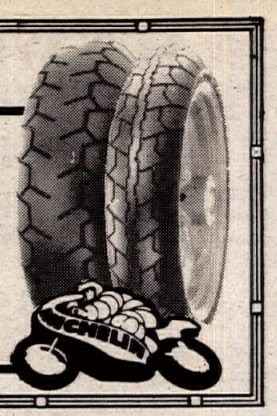

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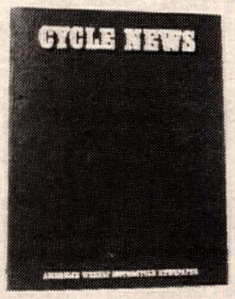

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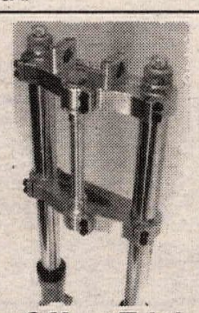

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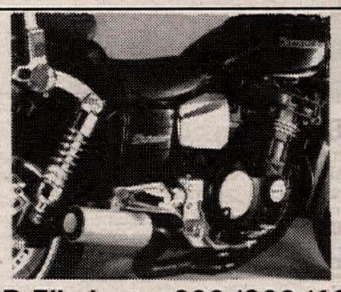

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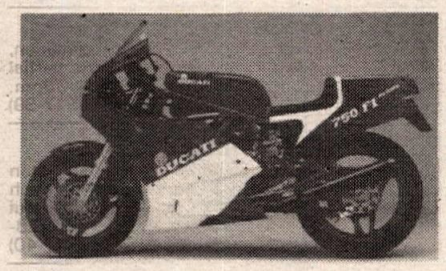

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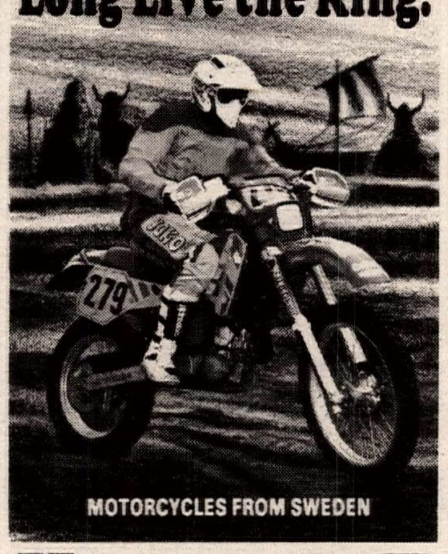

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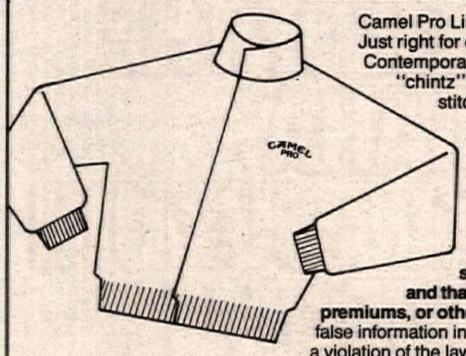

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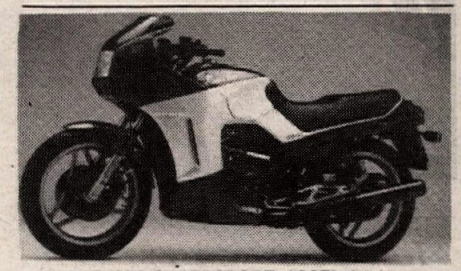

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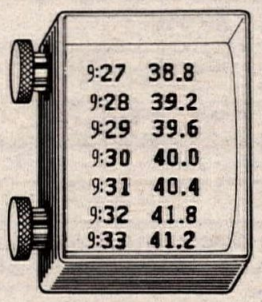

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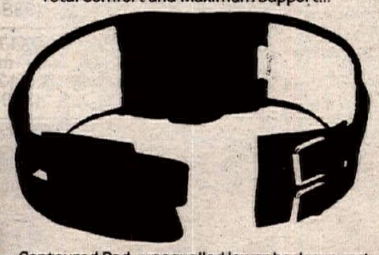

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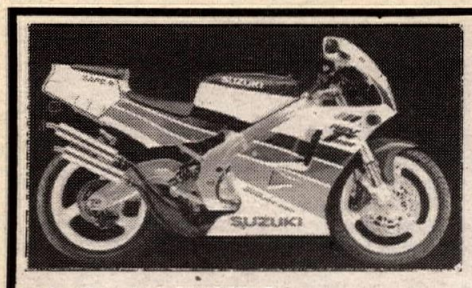

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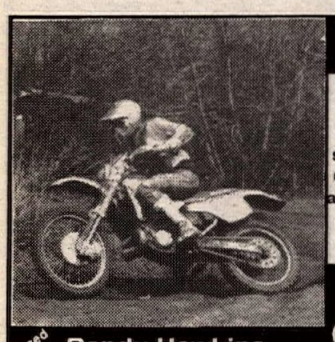

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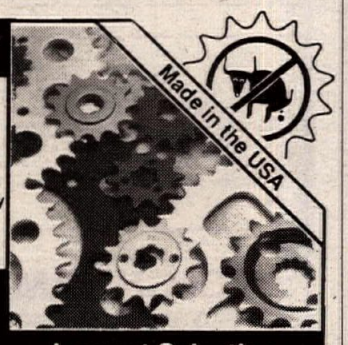

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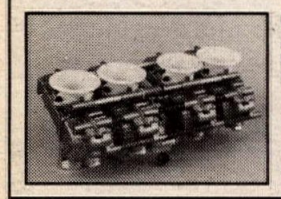

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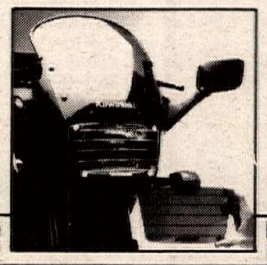

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Jamie Harrison	Kaw
Clint Pilgrim	Hon
Travis Payne	Kaw

Motocross
Sunset Ramblers M.C.
Galion, OH
Sept. 9
By Goggles Pisano

MONEY	
Mike Cain	Yam
Bill Ball	Hon
Eric Davis	Yam
Chad Coon	KTM
Curtis Dosier	Hon
MINI JR	
Trent Heller	Yam
Jacob Yontz	Kaw
David Miller	Yam
Damien Heater	Kaw
Erin Strohm	Hon
MINI SR	
Josh Dudley	Kaw
Philip Yontz	Kaw
Chad Cooper	Kaw
Corey Mays	Suz
Rachel Strohm	Hon
125	
Bill Ball	Hon
Chad Goodwin	Hon
Jeff Adams	Yam
Dan Kennedy	Kaw
Dave Adams	Hon
250	
Mike Cain	Yam
Chad Coon	KTM
Eric Davis	Yam
Jeffrey Ling	Hon
Colin Lowery	Hon
250 EXTRA	
Scott Heckert	Hon
Rick McWaters	Kaw
Lanny Neff Jr.	Suz
Brent Billman	Hon
Ken Bruner	Hon
OPEN	
Chuck Cotteril	Kaw
James Smith	KTM
Mike Osborn	Yam
Jerry Presley	Hus
Rory Swartz	Yam
SR	
Stan Courtad	Hon
Dennis Young	Yam
James Adams	Yam
Rick Cain	Hon
Mark Koon	Bul

Motocross
DeAnza Cycle Pk.
Sunnymead, CA
Sept. 9

125 PRO	
Jason Howell	Kaw
Tim Enoch	Yam
250 PRO	
Chuck Whitmore	Suz
Bryan O'Neill	Yam
250 INT	
Fred Nichols	Hon
125 NOV	
Ryan Brandenburg	
Randy Heim	Hon
Kevin Pitts	Hon
250 NOV	
Fred Nichols	Hon
Randy Paulin	Hon
Mike Sohrt	Suz
Patrick Durnell	Kaw
Kris Barker	Kaw
OPEN NOV	
Randy Paulin	Hon
TOP GUN VET	
Ken Stuart	
Tim Hoy	
Steve Cobb	
TOP GUN NOV	
Walt Nitto	
Chris Woods	
Albert Pluma	
Tom Leone	
Rick Bechtel	
OT AM	
Randy Wessels	Hon
Tom Widick	Hon
Buzz Moeller	Hon
Manuel Serrano	Yam
Keith Phillips	Hon
OT NOV D-1	
Mike Nicholas	Hon
Jim Swindells	Hon
John Webb	Hon
Wendell Park	Hon
OT NOV D-2	
Frank Derby	Yam
Doug Baumann	Suz
OT EX	
Gary Willson	Kaw
Ron Way	Hon
Ged Spearing	Hon
Bob Millner	Hon
250 BEG	
Edward Baucom Jr.	Kaw
Mark Sandzimier	Suz
Wayne Edmundson	Hon
Stephen Watson	
Mark Reyes	Kaw
MINI BEG	
Ceasar Galves	Suz
Ryan Banford	Kaw
Jesse Moffatt	Kaw
Adam Fetterly	Kaw
John Harmon	Kaw
MINI NOV	
Justin Turner	Kaw
Richard Villasenor	Kaw
Malcolm McCassy	Suz
MINI INT	
Dennis Turner	Kaw
TOP GUN PRO	
Greg Stuart	
Eric Cobb	
Paul Herman	
Ryan Strehorn	
David Barnes	
TOP GUN AM	
Robert Anderson	
Mike Comett	
William Welchhance	
OPEN BEG	
Andy Dix	Hon
Mark Testa	
Chad Brown	Hon
INT VET	
David Fox	Kaw
Brad Oxley	Hon
Lynn Baynes	Yam
Carlos Johnston	Yam
NON VET	
Leo Soul	Cag
Richard Gallouich	Hon
Mark Allen	Hon
Keith Shigeta	Kaw
Bob Oye	Hon
125 BEG	
Fred Magalona	Yam
Bob Morales	Hon
Vince Mauzey	Hon
Ryan Bauerstock	
Richard Mosley	Hon

Short Track
Moreland's MX
Stanton, MI
Sept. 9

50 AUTO	
Trevor Holloway	
Brett Pankey	
Billy Humphries	
Justin Humphries	
Kris Kitchen	
60	
Brandon Rose	
Greg Vincent	
Scott Sargent	
Mike Forro II	
Trevor Holloway	
80	
Bryan Bigelow	
Jason Sentell	
Jeffrey Randolph	
Brandon Rose	
Danny Vincent	
200	
Christopher Anthes	
Danny Vincent	
Rick Vincent	
250	
Ryan Brown	
Donald Rutledge	
400	
Douglas O'Boyle	
Thomas Harper	
John Walker	
Daniel Diener	
Lonnie Wadle	
500 B	
Donald Dawe	
D. Kirk Bannerman	
Wade Roberts	
Donald Springsteen	
Jeffrey Stevens	
500 A	
Rodney Mashue	
Douglas O'Boyle	
Ken Springsteen	
John Warren	
OPEN	
Dave Kolenda	
Mark Davidson	
Ryan Brown	
Duane Starick	
30-39	
Rodney Nashue	
Dave Kolenda	
Thomas Cummings	
Mark Davidson	
Jarvis Kapplinger	
S/SR	
Merlyn Wertz	
Gene O'Boyle	
Robert Watson	
John Warren	
Don Bannerman	

Motocross
Crystal Meyer MX
Fosterburg, IL
Sept. 9
By P. Willis

P/W	
Mike Bettorf	Suz
Chris Munson	Suz
Jason Harris	Suz
Kris Moehue	Suz
Jimmy Wille	Yam
80 JR	
Blake Bohensteihl	Yam
Matt Wilson	Kaw
Mike Bettorf	Hon
Jason Asken	Yam
80 SR	
Tom Schesser	kaw
Jimmy Dunn	Hon
Chris Thiele	Kaw
Carl Nevons	Suz
Mark Spencer	Suz
125 C	
Ken Hunter	Hon
Jeff Hill	Hon
Keith Biver	Kaw
Joe Manser	Kaw
Randy Ubinger	Hon
125 B	
Paul Willis	Yak
Jerry Hill	Hon
Tommy Schesser	Kaw
Robert Forehand	Suz
James Daniels	Hon
125 A	
Billy Fosnock	Suz
Mark Greenley	Yam
Robert Motsinger	Kaw
Alex Rossetto	Yam
250 C	
Terry Moore	Yam
Steve Schroder	Yam
Bruce Brilley	Yam
Jeff Hunt	Hon
Dave Faulkner	Hon
250 B	
Paul Willis	Yak
Dan Beilsmith	Hon
James Crawford	Yam
Tom Ritter	Kaw
Jim Vontill	Hon
250 A	
Billy Fosnock	Suz
Mark Greenley	Yam
Slex Rosetto	Kaw
OPEN	
Mike Sounders	Kaw
Robert Quick	Kaw
Gary Cox	Hon
+30	
Jim Vontill	Hon
John Pulser	Kaw
Lynn Campbell	Kaw
Frank Biver	Kaw
Dana Bonebrke	Yam

Motocross
I-40 Moto-X
Lenoir City, TN
Sept. 15
By Jennifer Vinson

50	
Dereck Blair	Hon
Travis Rimmer	Yam
Jason Bault	Yam
Rusty Dockery	Yam
Ricky Irwin	Hon
60	
Byron Robinette	Kaw
Scott Blair	Hon
80 JR MINI	
Matt Harrison	Kaw
Jason Welshan	Kaw
Cale Swiger	Kaw
Troy Matteson	Kaw
Derry Burt	Kaw
80 SR MINI	
Scott Graves	Kaw
Chris Bault	Suz
Neal Wilson	Kaw
Shayne Chandler	Yam
125 A	
Paul Dalton	Hon
125 B	
Shane Hatfield	Suz
Stephen Bobic	Suz
125 C	
Wayne Harrison	Kaw
Osborn Morgan	Yam
Clint Pilgrim	Hon
Kevin Shipman	
James McGinnis	Hon
250 A	
Paul Dalton	Hon
Scott Grubb	Hon
250 B	
Shane Hatfield	Suz
Grady Jones	Hus
250 C	
Jamie Harrison	Suz
Craig Greer	Kaw
Jayson Swaney	Hon
Brian Leach	Kaw
25+	
Scott Grubb	Hon
Craig Greer	Kaw
Brian Leach	Kaw
GregLeach	Kaw
Stephen Bobic	Suz
30+	
Ron Nelson	Hon
Robert Buchman	Hon
40+	
Steve Margle	Suz
210+	
Gary Reynolds	Kaw
Jeff Sherrod	Yam
Henry Weir	Yam
Larry Baker	Yam
OPEN	
Ron Nelson	Hon
Jeff Byrd	Yam
Bob Shannon	Kaw
Greg Leach	Kaw
ENDR	
Henry Weir	Yam
Scott Johnson	Yam
Stephen Matteson	Kaw
U/L AM	
Wayne Harrison	Kaw
Clint Pilgrim	Hon
David Moore	Kaw
Randall Hatcher	Hon

Motocross
Carlsbad Raceway
Carlsbad, CA
Sept. 8
By Robert Failing

80 BEG	
Joshua Amaradio	Hon
Adam Fetterly	Kaw
Colin Eberly	Hon
Joel Kiesel	Suz
Manny Arias	Yam
125 BEG	
Bobby Navarro	Suz
Todd Werhanowicz	Hon
Kevin Weston	Hon
Mike King	Hon
William Kellogg	Hon
250 BEG	
Joe Aollesh	Hon
Dustin Northrip	Hon
Marty Ray	Hon
John Tookey	Kaw
Troy Archer	Yam
500 BEG	
Alan Moore	Kaw
25-29 BEG	
Becky Kukla	Kaw
Mark BlakleyHon	
Scott Ball	Hon
VET BEG	
Donnie Moore	CZ
John O'Grady	Hon
John Disano	Suz
Mike Henry	Kaw
John Owenn	Suz
OT BEG	
Ron Kauble	Yam
80 JR	
Malcolm McCassy	Suz
John Conrad	Yam
Brian Rodriquez	Suz
125 JR	
Chris Valdes	Hon
Shay Fretwell	Suz
Ron Kauble	KTM
KEvin Karpiak	Kaw
Robert Praytherr	Yam
250 JR	
Dennis Dahlin	Kaw
Chris Verboom	Hon
Ed Stovin	Hon
Steve Alt	Hon
Shane Wimberly	Hon
25-29-JR	
Ron Burrows	Suz
Rick Lundgren	Kaw
Chris Jackson	Hon
Brent Bholke	Hon
VET JR	
Ray Pisarski	Hon
Bob Lloyd	Kaw
Paul Vogelsang	Hon
Curtis Jablonski	Hon
Rudy Chavez	Hon
OT JR	
Tom Eberly	Hon
Chuck Caston	Hon
Robert Berdyck	Yam
Charley Burk	Hon
Miek Stell	KTM
BOMBER	
Robert Failing	Yam
Phillip Hall	Yam
Marvin Hampton	Hus
125 INT	
Tim Staufenbeil	Hon
Chad Doggett	Kaw
250 INT	
John Griffin	Hon
Mike Ulrich	Hon
500 INT	
Robert Failing	Hon
Todd Freistat	Hon
Jon Neill	Hon
Eric Christiansen	Hon
VET INT	
Daniel Davalos	Hon
Jim Beaty	Hon
Brian Schmukle	Hon
Ted Kukla	Kaw
Bill McIntire	Yam
OT INT	
Bill Malone	Hon
VET EX	
Robert Failing	Hon
Dale Anderson	Hon
OT EX	
Mike Collins	Hon
Tim Daily	Yam
Gary Doggett	Kaw
Lee Amaradio	Yam
125 PRO	
Tony Amaradio	Yam
Fred Willert	Suz
250 PRO	
Jim Chamberlain	Suz
Kurt Henricksen	Kaw
Travis Hodges	Suz
VET PRO	
Mike Tripes	Kaw
Willie Amaradio	Yam
Tim Marsh	Hon

Road Race
AHRMA Historic Cup Series Round 6
Heartland Park Topeka, KS
Sept. 9
By Matt Benson

500 PREMIER	
Pete Johnson	Hon
Dave Roper	AJS
Craig McLean	H-D
Geoff Ryan	Tri
Ozzie Auer	BMW
750 GP	
Pat Moroney	H-D
Eron Flory	BMW
Pat Conroy	H-D
Michael Eiland	Yam
Bob Goodpaster	Nor
2-STRK GP	
Don Georger	Yam
Jerry Casciero	Yam
John Turner	Suz
Joseph Neal	Kaw
John Haberbosch	Mon
350 GP	
Dave Roper	AJS
Craig McLean	H-D
Don Fromm	Duc
Ed LaCruze	Duc
Tom Marquardt	Hon
250 GP	
Denise Maher	AJS
Craig Breckton	Duc
John Haberbosch	Mon
200 GP	
Bob Shudick	Duc
CLASSIC 60s	
Tim Stancil	BSA
Beno Rodi	RE
Bob Bulmer	BSA
SPRTSMN 750	
Eron Flory	BMW
Rob Tulie	Nor
Michael Eiland	Yam
Rodney Root	Tri
Bob Goodpaster	Nor
SPTSMN 500	
Chris Helland	Duc
Craig Breckon	BSA
Geoff Ryan	Tri
Roger Sperling	BSA
Ed Abdo	BSA
CL C	
Beno Rodi	RE
Ozzie Auer	BMW
Butch Baer	Ind
Al Knapp	H-D
Mike Gontesky	BSA
PRE 1940	
AL Knapp	H-D
Ozzie Auer	BMW
Butch Baer	Ind
Beno Rodi	Nor
Steve Coe	H-D

Road Race
AHRMA Historic Cup Series
Final Point Standings
Sept. 21
By Matt Benson

PREMIER	
Dave Roper	5205
Pete Johnson	3000
Geoff Ryan	2735
Kurt Liebmann	2670
Chris Helland	2400
CL C	
Beno Rodi	5805
Ozzie Auer	4105
Al Knapp	3813
Butch Baer	3330
Dick Miles	3200
2-STRK GP	
Donald Georger	5300
Jerry Casciero	5270
John Turner	2600
John Louck	2435
Bruce Kloete	2370
750 GP	
Pat Moroney	5635
Eron Flory	5175
Mike Eiland	3900
Pat Conroy	3010
Yvon DuHamel	2000
200 GP	
Robert Shudick	5070
Chris Jensen	2435
Mike Green	2000
Erich Bley	1600
Robert Batsleer	1400
CLASSIC 60s	
Beno Rodi	4740
Timothy Stancill	4700
Bob Bulmer	3535
Bill Perretti	1870
Norman Nelson	1670
SPTSMN 750	
Eron Flory	6835
Mike Eiland	4940
Dave Cromer	2370
Robert Goodpaster	1978
Rob Tuluie	1835
PRE 1940	
Ozzie Auer	6010
Al Knapp	5235
Rusty Lowry	4665
Butch Baer	4235
Beno Rodi	4100
250 GP	
Tom Keister	3335
John Seymour	1700
Mike Green	1700
Craig Breckon	1585
Paul Watkins	1518
SPTSMN 500	
Chris Helland	3700
Geoff Ryan	3565
Ed Abdo	2505
Roger Sperling	2400
Bob Bulmer	2100
350 GP	
Dave Roper	6000
Thomas Marquardt	4955
Don Fromm	4135
Craig McLean	2505
Joe Lachniet	2235

Motocross
NESC
Southwick, MA
Sept. 9

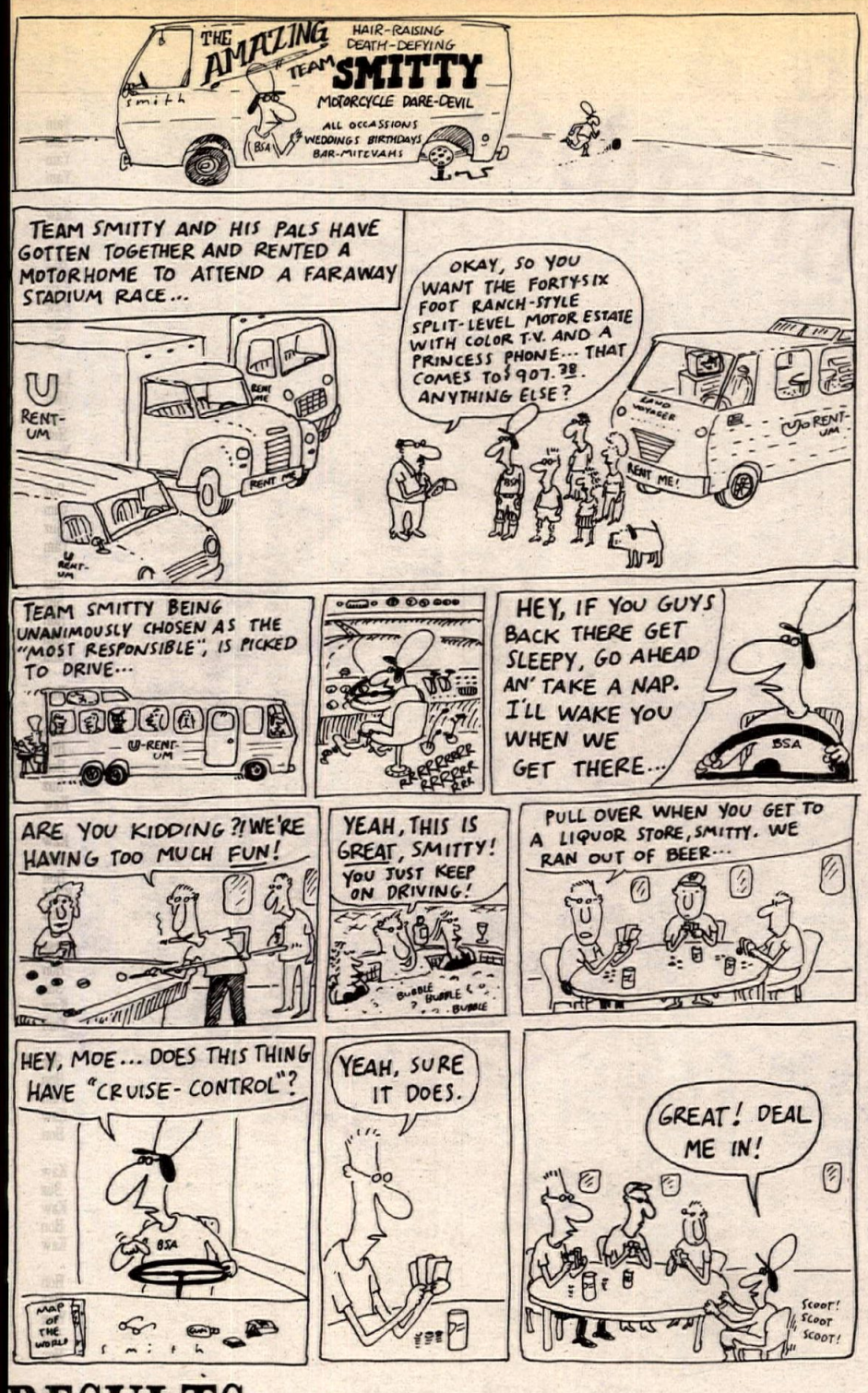
125 EX	
John Dowd	Kaw
Bill Dzielak	Hon
Carlo Coen	Suz
Tony Lorusso	Yam
Wally Silva	Yam
200+ EX	
John Dowd	Kaw
Doug Henry	Yam
Pat Barton	Suz
Randy McCann	Kaw
Mike Treadwell	Kaw
125 AM	
Jason Fowler	Kaw
Brian Austin	Suz
Doug Conrad	Kaw
Adam Dupont	Suz
Eric Soucy	Yam
200+ AM	
Scott MacKenzie	KTM
Doug Pitts	Kaw
Jeff Ferriera	Hon
Bert Drouin	Hon
David Vallee	Kaw
250+ AM	
David Vallee	Kaw
Doug Pitts	Kaw
Rory Eastman	Yam
Brian Daly	Hon
John Ruddy	Kaw
85 BEG	
Tobey Faugano	Kaw
Jack Keenan	hon
Jason Boron	Yam
Steve Obey	Hon
Ryan Heilman	Suz
85 JR	
Gerry Lashway	Kaw
Clint Rooney	Hon
Richard Rogers	Suz
Gary Collette	Suz
Joe Russo	Hon
85 SR	
Ed Lyons	Suz
Cindy Cole	Suz
Larry Lashway	Kaw
David Souza	Kaw
Ryan Amiro	Suz
125 YTH BEG	
Chris Harris	Suz
Matt Bennett	Kaw
Casey Brennan	Hon
Chris Rizer	Kaw
Mark Waterman	Kaw
125 YTH JR	
Glen Labbe	Kaw
Mark Shea	Hon
Brian Hawkins	Hon
Ted Serpo	Kaw
Kevin Harrington	Suz
125 YTH SR	
Doug Conrad	Kaw
Jason Fowler	Kaw
Adam Dupont	Suz
Randy Robare	Kaw
Dan Boone Jr.	Kaw
VET 30-34	
Don Grahn	Suz
Jim Meenan	Suz
Richard Crooker	KTM
David Clemence	Hon
Nick Duprey	Suz
S/VET 35-39	
David Clemence	Hon
Dan Boone Sr.	Kaw
Gary Mikalson	Yam
Ed Longacre	Yam
Frank Lajeunesse	KTM
40+ VET	
Frank Lajeunesse	KTM
Lou Colon	Yam
John Barone Sr.	Hon
John Bamman	Hon
John Linnens	Hon
VET INT	
Steve Samal	Hon
Jim Pare	Hon
Chris Knuth	Hon
Jack Weaver	Yam
Mark Hangos	Suz
125 NOV	
Randy Carey	Hon
Chris Harris	Suz
Mark Crease	Kaw
Paul Stasiak	Kaw
Mike Young	Hon
250 NOV	
David Marvin	Hon
Sean Brynes	Suz
Jay Perry	Hon
Eric Gonsalves	Yam
Scott Ferguson	Suz
OPEN NOV	
Jay Perry	Hon
John Murphy	Hon
Tony Stack	Yam
Dennis Harrington	Suz
Scott Ferguson	Suz

Motocross
Mustang Acres
Brighton, MI
Sept. 16
By Jan Darden

51	
Joshua Knight	Yam
Greg Hamilton	Yam
Mike Berry	Yam
Cory McDermitt	Yam
Ryan Abrigo	Yam
7-11	
Jeremy Brown	Kaw
Justin Tank	Suz
12-15	
John Kidd	Hon
Trvis Peterson	Kaw
Ahmad Owens	Kaw
Tom Levander	Kaw
Chris Beckington	Suz
80 C	
Scott Alexander	Kaw
Steve Baltes	Hon
Kevin Burrows	Suz
Todd Grandstagg	Hon
J.A. Carnes	Yam
125 JR	
John Putnan	Suz
Jason Faulkner	Yam
Marc DeCubber	Suz
David Horvath	Yam
30+	
Jerry Mott	Suz
David Bowman	Suz
Jeff Beerbower	Hon
Robert Karalis	Hon
Mike Teagan	Hon
40+	
Guy Winoradsky	Hon
25+	
Scott Currie	Hon
Steve Holland	Hon
Paul Piorkowski	Hon
Wilford Hufton	Suz
Rich Machniak	Kaw
125 A	
Brian Swink	Kaw
David Beckington	Suz
Jason Fletcher	Hon
Joe Munger	KTM
Robert Jannette	Hon
125 B	
Shawn Castle	KTM
Richard Shearing	Hon
John Putnan	Suz
William Macinnis	Kaw
Aaron Smith	Yam
125 C	
Kenneth Ruelle	Suz
John Avendt	Hon
David Belford	Yam
Shawn Foote	Kaw
Brian Thumm	Hon
250 A	
Brian Swink	Kaw
David Beckington	Suz
Sanford Buchalter	Kaw
Tom Deguise	Hon
Richard Noonan	Kaw
250 B	
Brandon Drake	Hon
Clayton Chapman	Hon
Sean Collard	Yam
Douglas Carlton	Suz
Donald Diekr	Hon
250/500 C	
Jared Cole	Hon
Steve Hadobas	Hon
Darrin White	Hon
David McCaughma	Hon
Matthew Price	Hon
OPEN	
Jeffrey Devereaux	Hon
Daniel Jannette	Kaw
John McFarland	Kaw
Richard Noonan	Hon
Robert Schulte	Kaw

Motocross
Carlsbad Raceway
Carlsbad, CA
Sept. 1
By Robert Failing

80 BEG	
Brian Rodriquez	Suz
Josh Amaradio	Hon
Craig Rood	Suz
Chris Hardison	Kaw
Manny Arias	Yam
125 BEG	
Bobby Navarro	Suz
Todd Werhanowicz	Hon
Robert Harrison	Suz
Bill Kellogg	Hon
Kevin Weston	Hon
250 BEG	
Dustin Northrip	Hon
John Tookey	Kaw
Les Simmons	Suz
Joe Adlesh	Hon
Chris Berry	Yam
500 BEG	
Chuck Barber	Kaw
Steve Walton	Hon
25-29 BEG	
Colin Morgan	Kaw
Becky Kukla	Kaw
Scott Ball	Hon
Jim Dickson	Hon
Larry Pockett	Kaw
VET BEG	
John O'Grady	Hon
John Owen	Suz
Bruce Forinash	Yam
Len Verner	Hon
Art Rivas	Yam
80 JR	
Malcolm McCassy	Suz
125 JR	
Shay Fretwell	Suz
Ty Kady	Kaw
Michael Napoli	Hon
Mark Blakley	Hon



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Robert Praytherr	Yam
250 JR	
Dan Laumbach	Hon
Joey Mendoza	Hon
Jeff Scott	Hon
Wolfgang Krogman	Hon
Todd Blackman	Kaw
500 JR	
Eric Christiansen	Hon
Jon Neill	Hon
Ted Kukla	Kaw
John Taylor	Hon
Rick Lungren	Hon
25-29 JR	
Lincoln Piersol	Suz
Rick Lundgren	Suz
Don Rice	Hon
Chris Jackson	Hon
VET JR	
Ray Pisarski	Hon
Bob Lloyd	Kaw
Jeff Gray	Hon
Joseph Gonzalez	Mai
Russ Deweese	Hon
OT JR	
Chuck Caston	Hon
Robert Berdyck	Yam
Mike Stell	KTM
BOMBER	
Robert Failing	Yam
125 INT	
Steve Drew	Yam
Roger Saenz	Yam
250 INT	
Tony Moreta	Kaw
500 INT	
Robert Failing	Hon
VET INT	
Daniel Davalos	Hon
Jim Beaty	Hon
Brian Schmuckle	Hon
OT INT	
Bill Malone	Hon
Dennis Holladay	Yam
VET EX	
Robert Failing	Hon
Tony Wanket	Hon
Scot Harden	KTM
Rob Wilshire	Hon
OT EX	
Mike Collins	Hon
Wayne Cornelius	Kaw
Tim Daily	Yam
Jack McCormick	Hon

Lee Amaradio	Yam
125 PRO	
Jim Chamberlain	Hon
Tony Amaradio	Yam
Travis Hodges	Suz
250 PRO	
Gary Depillo	Kaw
Mike Tripes	Kaw
Rob Nolin	Yam
500 PRO	
Marc Peters	Hon
Tim Whitlock	Hon

Motocross
Mustang Acres
Brighton, MI
Sept. 15
By Jan Darden

51	
Cary McDermitt	Yam
R.J. Bailey	Suz
Steven Brown	Hon
Marcus Shaver	Yam
60	
Randy Valade	Kaw
Billy Pierce	Kaw
Joshua Long	Kaw
John Judson	Kaw
Jeremy Brown	Kaw
80 7-11	
Randy Valade	Suz
Billy Pierce	Suz
Leroy Magoon	Kaw
Jeremy Brown	Kaw
Joshua Long	Hon
80 12-15	
John Kidd	Hon
Travis Peterson	Kaw
Ryan Valade	Suz
Ryan Hartwig	Kaw
Steven Sweet	Kaw
80 C	
Ryan Haines	Kaw
Jonas Wildman	Suz
Mike Pucci	Suz
Scott Alexander	Kaw
J.A. Carnes	Yam
125 JR	
Brandon Drake	Hon
Richard Shearing	Hon

David Horvath	Yam
Shawn Castel	KTM
Steven Casto	Suz
30+	
Harold Neighbors	Suz
Scott Cursie	Hon
David Bowman	Suz
Mike Teagan	Hon
Patrick Tilley	Yam
40+	
Larry Stewart	Hon
Dan Valle	Suz
Don Gates	Suz
Doug Hilderbrant	Yam
Frank Helms	Suz
50+	
Ed Hieftje	Hon
Harold Root	Suz
Charles McConnell	Kaw
Owen Hutchin	Yam
25+	
Peter Mason	Suz
Rich Machniak	Kaw
Rod Seibert	Suz
Paul Piorkowski	Hon
Steve Bond	Hon
125 A	
Brian Swink	Kaw
David Beckington	Suz
John Grewe	Suz
David Gaylord	Suz
Craig Valle	Hon
125 B	
Corey Dolimar	Hon

William Macinnis	Kaw
John Putman	Suz
Jeff Fletcher	Hon
David Horvath	Yam
125 C	
David Belford	Yam
Brian Thumm	Hon
Jeremy Jobe	Kaw
Shawn Foote	Kaw
Scott Tundis	Kaw
250 A	
Brian Swink	Kaw
David Beckington	Suz
Joshua Brown	Hon
Kevin Hilderbrant	Yam
Steven Garan	Yam
250 B	
Brian Slegers	Suz
Ryan Weatherby	Yam
Sean Collard	Yam
Brandon Drake	Hon
Clayton Chapman	Hon
250/500 C	
Matthew Price	Hon
Craig Smith	Hon
Marc McLaughlin	Hon
Jim Nickell	Hon
Russ Semon	Kaw
OPEN	
Richard Noonan	Hon
David Briody	Kaw
Robert Schulte	Kaw
Courtney Riester	Hon
Charles McConnell	Kaw

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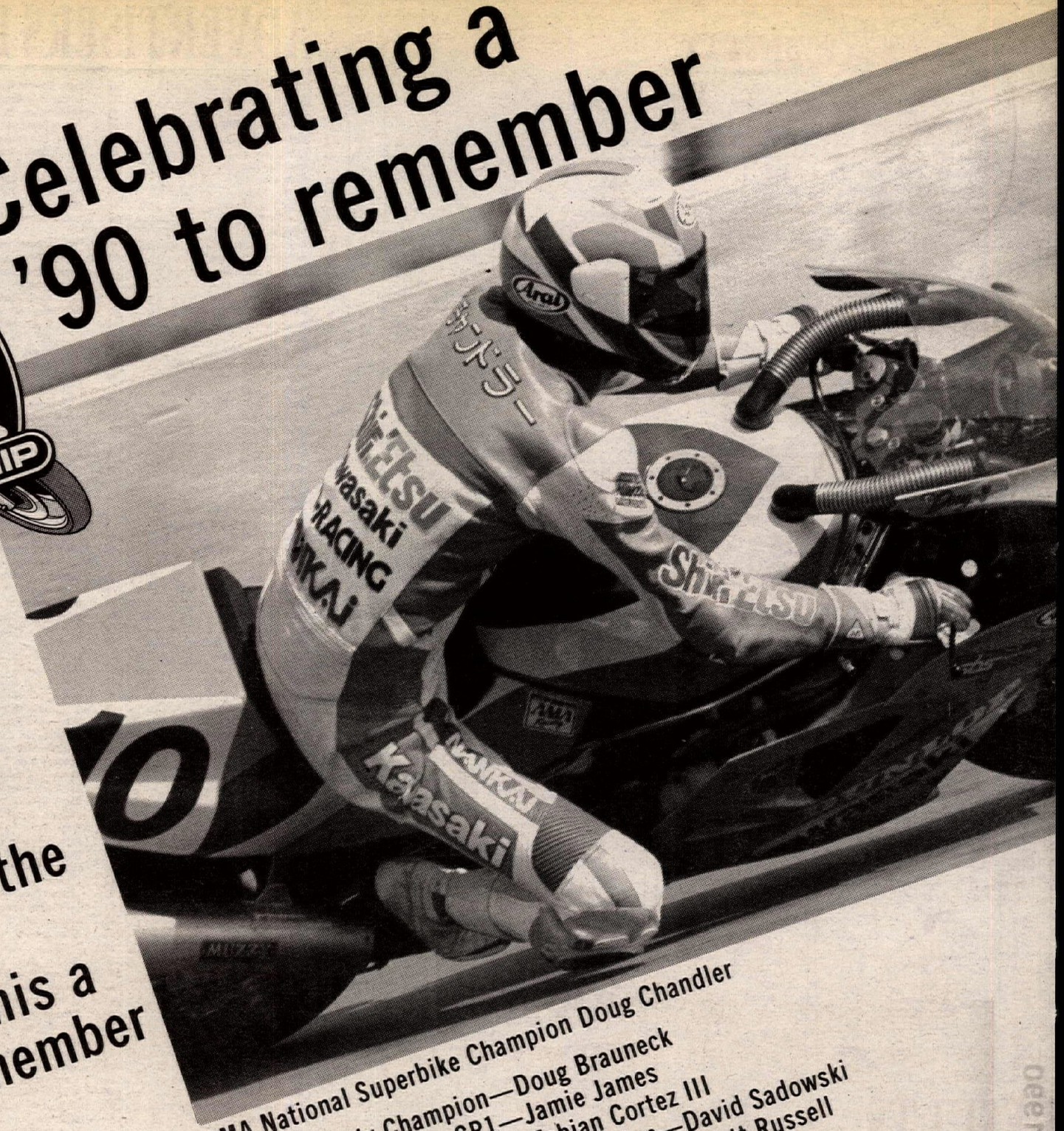

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